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India's Terms For Co-operation With Commonwealth

NO ACCEPTANCE OF KING'S SUZERAINTY

Term "Dominion" Must Be Dropped As It Savours Of Subjection

NEHRU LEAVING FOR LONDON CONFERENCE TODAY

NEW DELHI, April 18.

Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru who leaves for Bombay tomorrow En Route to London had a busy day today. He attended to a number of urgent papers which could not be held up until after his return in about three weeks time and received his colleagues in the Cabinet and departmental heads.

The Prime Minister will be accompanied by the Secretary General, External Affairs Ministry, Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai.

On the eve of his departure to attend what may well prove to be a momentous conference of Dominion Premiers, attention in political circles is again focussed on the much discussed subject of India and the Commonwealth.

CARRYING NO MANDATE

According to informed quarters, the Prime Minister is carrying no mandate with him except the declared views of the Congress at its last Jaipur Session.

Since his return last November from London, where he had informal discussions on this subject with his Majesty's Government and certain other Dominion premiers, the issue has been sufficiently discussed in the party and presumably in the Cabinet. It is understood to have been also a subject of consultations with the United Kingdom Government. Since the date for the adoption of India's new constitution is nearing, and as it was thought that it would be better to have a proper appreciation of the question of the relationship between the future Indian Republic and the Commonwealth. His Majesty's government is understood to have had consultations with other Dominions with particular reference to India's standpoint and emissaries were sent to the various Dominions to obtain their views.

FLEXIBLE ORGANISATION

In the light of the statements made from time to time by the Prime Minister, informed quarters here do not anticipate that India's assumption of the status of a Republic will affect the existing close co-operation between India on the one hand and the United Kingdom and most Commonwealth countries on the other.

India's point of view as interpreted by informed quarters, has been that it is not a constitutional impossibility for an independent Republic, both in fact and in law, to continue to associate herself in the Commonwealth of Nations. This, it is stated is possible because the Commonwealth is a flexible organisation.

"BRITISH" DROPPED

The emergence of the two new dominions, India and Pakistan racially different from other members of the Commonwealth, it stated has already indicated a change in the Commonwealth set-up and this, to some extent was recognised at the time of the October Conference when the prefix "British" to "Commonwealth" was dropped in the official "communique" on the Conference.

INDIA'S STAND-POINT

Informed quarters here anticipate that India's stand-point at the forthcoming conference may be on the following lines:

That the set-up of the Commonwealth be constituted on a new basis:

That the term "Dominion" be dropped as it savours of some sort of subjection;

That India will not accept the suzerainty, however formal, of the King over her domains but may recognise the special status of the King in the Commonwealth and that India will respect decisions on Commonwealth matters as such, although such matters have nowhere been defined and this will be without prejudice to India's internal and external sovereignty.

The Preamble to the Statute o f Westminister and the decision of the Imperial Conference, it is stated afford ample scope for the evolving of a formula to suit India's requirements.

According to the Preamble of the Statute of Westminister, it is in accord with the established constitutional position that no law made by the British Parliament shall extend to any of the Dominions mentioned in the Statute as part of the law of that Dominion otherwise than at the request and with consent of that Dominion.

Even as at present, it is argued, the new Dominions have been placed in a better position than the Dominions under the Statute of Westminister.

INDIAN INDEPENDENCE ACT

The Statute of Westminister contained limitation on the power of the Dominion Parliaments of Canada and Australia to amend their constitution. Such limitation was imposed at the request of the Dominions and would be removed if the Dominions so desired. There is no corresponding restriction in the Indian Independence Act and there is express provision that in the case of each of the new dominions the constitution of the dominion be exercisable by the Constituent Assembly of that dominion. The conferment of these powers is accompanied by an averment which is absent in the Statute of Westminister that His Majesty's Government in Great Britain have no responsibility as respects the governments of the new dominions afetr August 15, 1947.

Ending Berlin Blockade?

LONDON, April 18. (PTI-Reuter: Berlin reports to-day that a senior Soviet Envoy, believed to be General Malinin, adviser to the Russian Military Government, had left for Washington, were interpreted by Diplomatic observers here as a strong pointer to the existence of Soviet-American contacts on the possibility of ending the Berlin Blockade.

No official comment was available from the foreign office here.

INTER-DOMINION COMMISSION

Meeting In Lahore On April 21

NEW DELHI, April 18. (A.P.I.): A meeting of the 'inter-dominion' Commission will be held in Lahore from April 21 to 23 to tackle problems arising out of evacuee property and the agreements reached thereto by the two Dominions.

The Three-Man India Government Delegation will be led by Mr. C. N. Chandra, Secretary of Relief and rehabilitation.

A meeting of the representative of the ministries of Finance of the two dominions will also be held in in Lahore on April 22 and 23. To discuss banking and financial matters.

Madras Conference On Hyderabad

HYDERABAD (Dn.), April 18 (API): A conference of representatives of the Madras and Hyderabad Government is to be held at Madras on April 20 when measures taken to put out Communist menace are expected to be reviewed.

U. P. JOURNALISTS CONFERENCE

Premier G. B. Pant who inaugurated the U. P. Journalists Conference at Lucknow on April 15, is seen arriving at Kaiser Bagh Baradari, accompanied by prominent members of the Fourth Estate.

INDIA'S REPLY TO KASHMIR TRUCE PROPOSALS

Demands Implementation Of 'Cease-Fire' Agreement & Disbandment Of "Azad" Forces

NEW DELHI, April 18 (A.P.I.): India's reply to the Truce proposals of the U. N. Commission on Kashmir was handed over to the Commssion when Dr. Alfredo Lozano, Columbian Delegate of the Commission met Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary General, External Ministry.

The Meeting lasted 45 minutes.

India's reply, the contents of which have not yet been disclosed, is understood to have reiterated India's original stand questioning the present status of the so-called "Azad Kashmir" territory and demanding the disbandment of the "Azad Kashmir" forces and implementation of the "cease-fire" agreement with the complete withdrawal of tribesmen from all sectors.

VIOLATIONS OF "CEASE-FIRE"

Though no formal protest was lodged with the Commission against the violations of the "cease-fire" agreement by Pakistan troops in Kashmir, Sir Girja is understood to have expressed in strong terms Government of India's concern at these violations.

Dr. Alfredo Lozano and Mr. Leguisamon, who represented the Commission at the present series of meeting with Indian representatives, will leave for Rawalpindi tomorrow to join the other members of the Commission. The Commission will begin discussions with Pakistan representatives after they arrive at Rawalpindi.

Communication Facilities In Kashmir

JAMMU, April 18 (A.P.I.): The Fifth Division Signals Regiment of the Indian Army has left Jammu for its permanent station somewhere in Eastern India after completing several telephone and telegraph projects in Jammu and Kashmir State.

During its stay of over five months in the State, the regiment greatly improved its telephone and wireless system. Telegraph lines were laid between Pathankot and Jammu and from Jammu to Akhnoor. Working day and night in the face of great danger to their lives, men of the regiment kept the communications intact.

They also provided communication facilities to the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan by building a control wireless station exclusively for the use of their observers.

Kashmir Valley And Life Line

SRINAGAR, April 18 (A.P.I.): The Government of Kashmir and Jammu propose to spend Rs. 15,00,000 on building new roads in the State and repairing old ones, it is learnt.

Over 17,000 workers are being employed to widen the Jammu-Srinagar road, the life-line of the Kashmir Valley ever since the closing down of the Sri Nagar. Rawalpindi Road.

The Government also propose to build all-weather roads connecting Bhadrawah, Bcioie and Riasi, important towns in the State.

Pakistan To Withdraw From No-Man's Land?

SRINAGAR, April 18. (A.P.I.): Pakistan has agreed to evacuate certain areas in the no-man's land in the Kashmir valley which were occupied by Pakistan troops recently.

This agreement was reached to-day between Major-General K. S. Thimayya, General Officer Commanding Indian Troops and Major General Nazir Ahmed General Officer Commanding Pakistan troops at a meeting arranged to discuss certain aspects of the Cease-Fire in Kashmir, it was stated.

The meeting took place at the 58th mile-stone along the Uri-Domel road.

WORLD'S BIGGEST DEMOCRACY

CALCUTTA, April 18. (A.P.I.): Mr. R. R. Diwakar, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting stated to-day that India had become the biggest democracy of the world by one resolution adopted by the last session of the Constituent Assembly. There was no other country which could boast of a voters list of 16 crores of people.

CASE AGAINST RAZVI

HYDERABAD (Dn.), April 18 (API)—The case against Syed Kasim Razvi, former Razakar Chief of Hyderabad, and 55 others, accused of abetment of the murder of nine persons at a place seven miles from Aland in Gulbarga District in September, 1948, is shortly coming up for hearing, it is learned tonight.

Mr. D. V. Shrikhande, Advocate General of Hyderabad, has been appointed crown-prosecutor to conduct the case.

It is, however, not known whether the case will be heard by the Gulbarga District Court where police have filed the charge sheet against Kasim Razvi and his 55 associates, or by a special tribunal to be appointed for this purpose.

DR. MEHTA'S CALL TO AGRICULTURISTS

BARODA, April 18 (API).—Dr. Jivraj Mehta, the Baroda Prime Minister, today called on agricultural economists and experts in the country to find a solution to remove the dependence of India's 27,000,000 urban population on foreign food imports.

Dr. Mehta, who was inaugurating the Baroda Agricultural Development Board, said, "I shudder to think of what would happen in case a war breaks out. India has neither the transport nor the command of the sea route, necessary to face the situation satisfactorily in such an emergency."

The only remedy, Dr. Mehta added was to raise our food production to the level of self-sufficiency.

BOOK OF VERSE ON MAHATMA

MEERUT, April 18 (API).—Mr. Raghubir Sharan Mitra, a local poet, has just completed a book of verse on Mahatma Gandhi, which took him two years to write.

Entitled "Jan Nayak" (Leader of the people), the book contains 13,000 lines of verse divided into 31 chapters.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President of the Constituent Assembly will write the foreword.

TEN BARS CLOSED

Foretaste Of TOTAL Prohibition

(Special To "Chronicle")

Drink-thirsty addicts who want to make the best of the last year, before complete prohibition is introduced, are already getting a foretaste of the coming dry days.

Not only are all bars closed for four days in the week, but the number of bars where they could drink have been considerably reduced. In the city and suburban area—between Than and Colaba—about ten bars have been closed down because the Government has not renewed their licenses for the year beginning April 1. So also the licenses of three of Bombay's big trade and import licensees, have not been renewed for the year.

But the biggest blow to the votaries of Bacchus, is the blanket ban placed by the Railway Board on the selling of liquor in the dining rooms and restaurant cars run by Brandon and Co. Brandon's bar at Victoria Terminus now only sells cold drinks; nor are drinks served with dinner or lunch.

THE RESTAURANT CAR OF THE DECCAN QUEEN AND CERTAIN OTHER TRAINS WAS THE MOST FAVOURITE SPOT ON THE TRAIN AND ALWAYS USED TO BE CROWDED WITH CUSTOMERS. RACE SPECIALS WERE ALSO DRINK SPECIALS. ALL THIS IS NOW NO MORE.

Among the popular bars, whose licenses have not been renewed are: Che Jorge bar at Colaba, Prince of Wales bar also at Colaba, Alexandra Bar near the G.P.O., the Railway Hotel bar, Grant Road, London hotel bar also at Grant Road, Savoy hotel bar near the Central station, Santa Cruz bar and the Thana Travellers bar. The trading licenses of the following firms have also not been renewed: S S. Miranda, Ltd. Mazagaon, Shah and Co., Crawford Market, and S. D. Baria, Hornby Road

MINISTERS, NOT MAGICIANS

SALEM, April 18 (API).—Mr. K. Santhanam, Minister of State for Railways and Transport, stated today "Our leaders—Rajaji, Nehru, Patel and others—work like Rajarishis of old and even excel them in their desire to serve the public. They toil all day and night."

Mr. Santhanam, who was addressing Congressmen at Tiruchengode warned the people, however, that "Ministers are not magicians to work wonders overnight. He appealed to the people to keep faith in the popular Governments. Deprecating frequent change in Ministries as in Madras, Mr. Santhanam said, stability was essential for community in administration, and public should be consolidated and effective.

E. PUNJAB MINISTRY

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API).—The Congress Parliamentary Board will meet tomorrow to finalise the selection of two ministers for the East Punjab Cabinet from the dissident group. The members of this group met today and authorised Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, former Premier, to recommend to the Congress Parliamentary Board a few names for selection.

Dr. Gopichand Bhargava today waited upon the Deputy Prime Minister/ Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and submitted the list.

It is understood the Congress Parliamentary Board will consider the selection from among the lists submitted by Dr. Gopichand Bhargava and Mr. Bhim Sen Sachar.

NATIONAL SAVINGS FROJECTS EXHIBITION

POONA, April 18 (API).—Mr. V. L. Mehta, Minister of Finance, Government of Bombay, said here today that the small savings scheme of the Government of India deserved support from every citizen of the country.

Mr. Mehta was inaugurating the National Savings Projects Exhibition. He said that the industrialists in this country were complaining that the taxation limit had been reached and it would not be possible for them to invest money if this state continued.

FIRST STEP TO 'FERTILE CRESCENT' PLAN

Transjordan-Syria-Iraq Link To Combat Zionist Aggression

BAGHDAD, April 18 (P. T. I.-Reuter): Iraq announced today that she would regard any "Zionist aggression" against Syrian frontiers as aggression against herself.

Iraqi forces if requested, will help Syrian forces to resist attack.

The announcement was made after Iraqi Premier Nuri Es said had returned from discussions with Colonel Husni Zaim, the new Syrian leader.

General Shakir Ali Wadi, Iraqi Defence Minister, and General Saleh said, Iraqi Army Chief of Staff, were also at the talks, which dealt with a projected military alliance between the two countries, informed sources believed.

These sources thought, the visit was a first step towards achieving what is known as the "fertile crescent" plan to link Iraq, Syria, and Transjordan in economic, political and military unity.

TEL AVIV: Dr. Walter Eytan, Foreign Office Director-General, will head the Israeli Delegation of Seven leaving here for Lausanne on April 24 for an "exchange of views" with six of the Arab states.

The Israeli team will be the same as that which attended the Armistice Talks with Egypt.

Iraq is the only Arab state not joining the Lausanne discussions.

JERUSALEM TALKS

Meeting of the Israeli-Transjordan Armistice Commission, interrupted for a week by the Passover and Easter festivals, were being resumed in Jerusalem today.

The Committee working out Armistice details for various parts of the Holy city was also meeting.

AMMAN: Tawfix Abul Huda Pasha, Prime Minister of Transjordan, and Fawzi Mulki Pasha, Defence Minister, returned to Amman today from Cairo after concluding a "full settlements of all outstanding questions between Egypt and the Transjordan".

Usually well-informed sources here stated that Egyptian forces still stationed in the Hebron and Bethlehem districts of Palestine would soon hand over their charge to Transjordan.

RESUMPTION OF ARMISTICE TALKS

U. N. Observers Attend Mass In Holy Sepulchre Church

JERUSALEM, April 17 (PTI-Reuter) A bright sun shone over Jerusalem's walls today for the first time in weeks as a party of a few dozen Catholic worshippers crossed over into the Transjordan-held old city to attend Easter high mass in the church of the Holy Sepulchre. French, Belgian, and American United Nations observers and members of the Diplomatic Corps were among the party, but no Christian Arabs were permitted to attend.

Meetings of the mixed Israeli-Transjordan Armistice Commission, which were interrupted for a week by the Jewish Passover and Christian Easter will be resumed tomorrow in Jerusalem.

Brigadier General William Riley, United Nations Chief of Staff, will preside.

The committee which is working out armistice details for various parts of Jerusalem will also meet tomorrow

EASTER IN NAZARETH

NAZARETH, April 17 (PTI-Reuter): One solitary Easter pilgrim—an American woman—in contrast to the thousands who flocked to Nazareth before the Palestine war, was the only foreign visitor to the traditional site of Joseph's carpenter shop in Nazareth today.

Local residents flocked to the 25 churches, where high mass was offered.

TRUCE NEGOTIATORS REMAIN SILENT

HAIFA, April 18. (U.P.A.): Two high United Nations truce negotiators arrived here to-day from Damascus, but they remained tight-lipped on the progress of talks here for a Syrian armistice with Israel.

United States Brig-Gen. William Riley and French Col. Henri Vigier said they returned to Haifa truce headquarters for checking up purposes and planned to return to Damascus tomorrow.

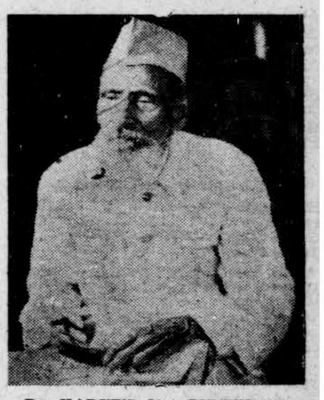
Riley said he planned to close his Haifa office "as soon as have got another armistice signed." Syria is the only Arab state bordering on Israel which has not yet signed an armistice.

"MILITARY PHASE" LIQUIDATED.

NEW YORK, April 18. (PTI-Reuter) Dr. Ralph Bunche, United Nations Mediator in Palestine, who returned to America to-day in the Queen Mary. said resumption of fighting of a general nature in Palestine seemed very remote.

"To all intents and purposes", he said, "the Armistice agreements liquidated the military phase of the Palestine conflict".

G.O.M. Of Maharashtra



Dr. KARVE'S 91st BIRTHDAY: The "Grand Old Man of the Maharashtra", Acharya D. K. Karve, completed his 91st year on Monday the 18th inst. A public meeting will be held today at 6-30 p.m. at the Gokhale Hall to offer tributes of affection and gratitude to Acharya Karve, Sri T. L. Vaswani presiding.

SYRIA & IRAQ

Damascus Talks For Joint War Council

CAIRO, April 18. (PTI-Reuter): The Egyptian newspaper "Al Ahram" said to-day that the Iraq Premier Nuri Es Said and Syrian Leader, Colonel Husni Zaim had discussed merging the commands of their armies and forming a joint war council during talks in Damascus over the week-end.

These measures and the abolition of customs had been discussed as a first step towards the achievement of a "fertile crescent" plan, comprising Iraq, Syria and Transjordan, the newspaper said.

Nuri Es Said was reported as having told a press conference "the presence of a Jewish State in Palestine is a threat to the future Arab world".

"We must strengthen the ties of friendship among Arab states."

Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League, also visited Damascus during the week-end.

SHIP FIRE TAKES HEAVY TOLL

GUAYAQUIL (Ecuador), April 18. (U.P.A.): Most of the 59 passengers aboard the steamship 'Farahon' were drowned or burned to death when the vessel caught fire at Puerto Bolivar on Saturday, official announced to-day. No exact death toll could be fixed.

Rescue boats sailed through the waters of the south Ecuadoran port today searching for possible survivors and bodies of the dead. Most of those who perished were Peruvians.

British Pilot Killed In Helicopter Crash

READING, (England, April 18 (U. P.A.) Foster Dixon, crack 37-year-old test pilot, and an observer passenger, were killed near here yesterday when their unorthodox Gyrodyne helicopter crashed and burned.

Dixon, chief test pilot of the Fairey Aviation Company, which manufactures the Gyrodyne—a combination autogyro helicopter—was on a final hop before attempting to break the helicopter speed record.

NARAYAN APTE'S APPEAL

SIMLA, April 18 U.P.I.) — Narayan Apte, another convict of the Gandhi Murder Trial, has applied through the jail authorities for his personal appearance in the East Punjab High Court at the time of hearing of his Appeal against his conviction and sentence by the Special Judge.

FRASER & CHIFLEY

KARACHI, April 18 (PTI-Reuter).—Mr. Peter Fraser and Mr. Joseph Chifley, New Zealand and Australian Prime Ministers, arrived here on their way to the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference which opens in London on Thursday.

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Applications should be submitted by the 5th May, 1949 in their own handwriting stating their qualifications, age dates of passing Matric and LL.B Examinations and the period they have been practising and should be addressed to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, Headquarters (and not to any one by name).

Only copies of testimonials should be sent. The originals should be produced at the time of interview.

J. D. NAGARVALA,
Deputy
for Commissioner of Police.

Head Police Office,
Bombay, 14th April, 1949. 4090

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SALES BY AUCTION

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT THE CORNER OF ERSKINE ROAD AND ALI UMAR STREET, NULL BAZAR.

Under instructions from Messrs. Mazagonwalla & Co., Attorneys for the Court Receiver as Manager of the estate of Valimahomed Nathoobhai Doodhwalla, a lunatic and pursuant to an Order dated 11th February, 1949, in Suit No. 2169 of 1948 (Central Bank of India Ltd. vs. Valimahomed Nathoobhai) and on account and at the risk of the estate of Valimahomed Nathoobhai Doodhwalla, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction TODAY, TUESDAY, 19th April, 1949, at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on site:—

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	4' to 5'	1	"
	5' to 6'	4	Female
	5' to 6'	1	Male
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	5' to 6'	1	"
	5' to 6'	2	Female

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" 5' & 6' Rs. 3,000/-

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Details of stores, conditions of sale etc., with tender documents can be had from the Regional Commissioner (Disposals), United India Life Building, Esplanade, Madras at a cost of Rs. 5/- per set. This amount once paid is not refundable under any circumstances.

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BOMBAY SUBURBAN NOTES:

Gujerati Stree Mandal To Observe Silver Jubilee

NEW ARTS COLLEGE AT BANDRA FOR REFUGEE STUDENTS

(From Our Correspondent)

VILE PARLE, April 18.

Two suburban Institutions will be celebrating their Silver Jubilees during the last week of this month. The Gujerati Stree Mandal established at Santa Cruz 25 years ago, by a small band of educated women to look after the social and cultural needs of women, has done excellent work. Besides lectures and discussions on various topics of feminine interest, it has been organisation periodical exhibitions of arts and crafts in the commodious building which it owns.

The Jubilee Celebrations which begin on the 23rd April with the opening of the Arts and Crafts Exhibition by the Finance Minister, the Hon. Mr. V L. Mehta, will last for a week. Rani Maharaj Singh will deliver the Inaugural address on the following day. The next five days will be devoted to lectures and discussions and entertainment programmes.

LOKAMANYA SEVA SANGH

The other institution which is celebrating its Silver Jubilee is the Lokamanya Seva Sangh of Vile Parle. Founded in 1923 to serve as a memorial to the late Lokamanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak, the Sangh which is a non-political and non-sectional body has been carrying on social and educational work for the last 25 years with remarkable success. Its membership has gone up to 800 and its assets are valued at over Rs. two lakhs. It has a magnificent Hall known as Tilak Mandir which serves as a Town Hall for all public functions in this suburb.

The Sangh conducts a first class reading room and Library, a Sewing and Needle-work class for women and a full-fledged Gymnasium both for boys and girls. It organises lectures on a variety of subjects and also religious discourses. Its grain shop is the best of its kind and has earned the encomiums of all.

The Jubilee Celebrations will commence on the 24th April when the Hon'ble Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works and Mines, Government of India, will preside and deliver the inaugural address. He will also unveil the bust of Lokamanya Tilak. On the following days, there are several items of lectures and entertainment.

New College For Suburbs

A new Arts College is to be opened at Bandra early in June to meet the needs of higher education particularly of displaced students from Western Pakistan. The degree course will be instituted next year. The promoter of the College is Mr. K. M. Kundani who was till lately the Principal of the D. G. National College of Hyderabad, Sind and he is assisted by an able band of qualified teachers. Being centrally situated, this college should attract students from the entire suburban area.

Government have decided to strengthen the staff of the Science Department of the Ismail Yusuf College, Jogeshwari and have made provision in their current year's budget for the appointment of three additional Lecturers with effect from June 1949. Their proposal to raise the College to the degree course in Science has not materialised due to lack of funds.

Jogeshwari Housing Society

The oldest Co-operative Housing Society in the suburbs is the Kanara Saraswat Housing Society situated in ideal surroundings in Jogeshwari The Society owns 20 buildings accommodating 60 families. Government had advanced a little over Rs. 3 lakhs to this Society to subsidise their buildings programme in 1922 and the whole amount was paid by instalments leaving a balance of Rs. 1,08,000 which was also paid by arrangement with a Co-operative Bank two years ago. The Society now proposes to pay off the Bank by raising money from amongst the members and sympathisers of the Society. The Debenture Bonds which the Society proposes to issue, are redeemable in 20 years or earlier and will bear interest at 5 per cent. The assets of the Society are valued at more than Rs. 3 lakhs which is considered as substantial security for the issue of debenture bonds. A Special meeting of the members of the Society has been called to get the necessary resolutions passed enabling the Committee to take steps to raise the money by way of Debentures.

KURLA CITIZENS' PROTEST

The all-round increase in the House tax imposed by the Administrator of Kurla has been strongly criticised by the interests affected. A meeting of the Property Holders of Kurla was recently held under the chairmanship of Mr. J. M. Katrak who spoke very strongly against the increase of house tax. Mr. Katrak was of opinion that there was sufficient room for retrenchment and if that was done, there would be no need for increasing the taxes. It was decided to make a representation to government to get the increase either cancelled or substantially modified.

NATIONAL WEEK IN CHEMBUR

The National Week was celebrated in Chembur with great enthusiasm. On the 6th April, Mr. V. N. Purav, President of the Village Congress Committee hoisted the Congress Flag. On the following day, there was sacrificial spinning which was followed by a public meeting which was addressed by several speakers on the constructive programme of the Congress. The last item in the celebrations was the inauguration of adult education classes for Harijans of Chembur.

DIRECTORATE-GENERAL OF SHIPPING TO BE SET UP

Headquarters In Bombay: Arthur S. Lal, First Chief

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API).—The Government of India has decided to set up a Directorate-General of Shipping under the Ministry of Commerce, it is learned here today.

The new organisation will have its headquarters in Bombay which has been chosen for easy contact with shipping interests.

Mr. Arthur S. Lal, at present Indian Government Trade Commissioner in London, who has been dealing with matters concerning shipping at India House, will be the first Director-General of Shipping. He is expected to arrive in Bombay in the middle of May to take charge of his new appointment.

The Directorate-General is expected to become the sole authority dealing with shipping matters. It will absorb various Government organisations such as the Mercantile Marine Department, office of the Controller for Shipping, the Lighthouse Department, the Directorate of Seamen's Welfare and the Office of the Nautical Adviser and Chief Surveyor. It will initiate plans and proposals for Government's consideration.

Government's decision to set up the Directorate-General, which has been endorsed by the Economy Committee, will divest the Commerce Ministry of much administrative work and enable it to concentrate on shipping policy and legislative measures, it is stated.

TWO CANADIAN CARGO SHIPS FOR INDIA

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API). The Government of India have purchased and taken over two Canadian cargo ships, it is learned here today.

The vessels, each about 10,000 tons, are of the Canadian Victory type and were owned by the Canadian Transport Company, Vancouver. They were purchased through the Indian Embassy in Washington who had been asked to assist in securing tonnage from North America.

One of the ships, the "Harmac Crofton" has already sailed for India with a cargo of grain. The other "The Harmac Chemainus", which was taken over a week ago at Baltimore, is expected to leave for India at the end of this month with a full cargo of grain. She has a cargo capacity of approximately 9,000 tons.

It is proposed to operate both ships on the India-Australia run for the transport of coal and foodgrains.

Scindia's, it is understood, will for the time being manage the ships on behalf of Government on a commission basis.

ONE KILLED & SEVERAL PERSONS INJURED

Police Firing At Somavarapad

MADRAS, April 18 (API): One person was killed and several others were injured when the police opened fire at Somavarapad, a village about 150 miles from Nellore during the week-end, according to reports received here.

It is stated that a large crowd had assembled at the village for a local festival when one of the police, who were detailed to maintain order, accidently hit a person. The crowd then attacked the police and set fire to their quarters. Police opened fire which resulted in one death and several being injured.

TRAVELLING ART EXHIBITION

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API).—A section of child art consisting of over 60 paintings has been included in the "travelling art exhibition" organised by the All-India Fine Arts and Crafts Society.

The exhibition will start at Madras and from there will move to Bangalore, Hyderabad, Nagpur, Bombay, Allahabad, Patna, Calcutta, Lucknow, Rampur, Ambala and Simla.

About one hundred paintings, besides those of the children, lent to the Society by the Education Ministry of the Government of India are also carried by the exhibition. To this will be added paintings of local artists wherever the exhibition is held.

HECKLERS ARRESTED

BOMBAY, Monday.

Two persons were arrested by the Agripada Police yesterday on a charge of trying to disturb a Congress election propaganda meeting, at Delisle Road. The meeting was being addressed by Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay and local Congress Workers.

It was alleged that when the Home Minister began his speech, some members of the audience started heckling the speaker by putting a volley of questions pertaining the policy of the Government. A posse of police which was stationed outside the meeting, rushed to the spot and rounded up the alleged "trouble mongers".

The meeting, thereafter, continued quietly.

STOCKHOLM: (IPS) The Directors of the Scanorgamistan combining Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish paper producers have decided to reduce prices from £7 to £5 per ton. The cut is expected to benefit many countries that import newsprint and paper from Sweden.

EXTENT OF POWERS OF ARREST

Recovery Of Income-Tax

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha and Mr. Justice Chainani)

Sheikh Ali Ahmed .... Petitioner
Versus.
The Collector of Bombay and another ..... Respondents.

Interesting questions relating to the extent of powers of arrest for non-payment of income-tax arose in this habeas corpus application before Their Lordships at the Bombay High Court.

THE PETITIONER'S CASE.

The petitioner stated that till 1946 he carried on business as an importer and exporter under the name of Interseas Corporation of which he was the sole proprietor, and thereafter as director of a private limited company named. Allied Agencies Ltd. The petitions stated that according to his books of account he was liable to pay Rs. 15,000 as income-tax for the assessment year 1943-44 but that the Income-tax Department served him with a notice of demand claiming a sum of over Rs. 10 lakhs by way of income-tax and super-tax with surcharges and penalty for that year. From his assessment an appeal by the petitioner is pending.

Acting under powers conferred under Section 46 (2) of the Income-tax Act the first respondent ordered attachment of certain property of the petitioner on 17th May 1948, and on 3rd August 1948 ordered the petitioner to be arrested and detained in civil prison under Order 21 Rule 40 of the Civil Procedure Code for a period not exceeding six months. On 28th January 1949 the first respondent passed an Order for continuing the petitioner's detention under Section 13 of the Bombay City Land Revenue Act of 1876 after the expiry of the period of six months' detention under the Civil Procedure Code.

Section 46 (2) of the Income-tax Act provides that on receipt of a certificate from the Income-tax Officer, the Collector could proceed to recover arrears of income-tax as if they were arrears of land revenue or as a Civil Court executing a decree. Section 13 of the Bombay City Land Revenue Act, 1876 'inter alia' enacts that "if the sale of the defaulter's property shall not produce satisfaction of the demand it shall be lawful for the Collector to cause him to be apprehended and confined in the civil jail ....provided, however, that such imprisonment shall in no case exceed one day for each rupee of the said sum".

JUDGMENT.

Their Lordships held that under the Bombay City Land Revenue Act a man could be confined for one day for each rupee owing by him to the Government, and that therefore if the sum owing by him was large, he could be confined for his whole life and the rule of six months' maximum confinement laid down by the Civil Procedure Code did not apply so as to restrict that power. Their Lordships further held that under Section 13 of the Land Revenue Act the power to confine the defaulter could not be exercised until his property had first been sold, even if the defaulter had in the meantime become insolvent as in this case. Their Lordships therefore held that in the present case the petitioner's detention, before his property was sold, was illegal and they would have ordered his release but for the fact that the High Court's jurisdiction in any matter concerning the rewas barred under Section 226 of the Government of India Act 1935 which lays down that "no High Court should have any original jurisdiction venue or concerning any Act ordered or done in the collection thereof". In Their Lordships' opinion in hearing a 'habeas corpus' petition under Section 491 of the Code of Criminal Procedure the High Court was exercising original jurisdiction, and therefore it had no jurisdiction to order the release of the petitioner, though his detention was illegal. In the result, Their Lordships dismissed the petition but made no order as to the costs of the parties.

Mr. H. M. Seerval and Mr. N. A. Palkhiwala instructed by Messrs. Mehta Laljee and Co appeared for the petitioner.

The Advocate-General Mr. C. K. Daphtary instructed by Messrs. Little and Co. appeared for the respondents.

CORPORATORS APPEAL ADMITTED

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Weston and Mr. Justice Dixit).

Sardar Pratap Singh ..... Appellant (Accused).
Versus.
Imperator.

The appellant, a Municipal Corporator of Bombay City, filed this appeal to the High Court from the conviction and sentence of a fine of Rs. 500 (in default 3 months' S.I.) passed upon him by a Presidency Magistrate Bombay for having knowingly acquired an interest in a contract for supply motor transport on hire to the Bombay Municipality of which he was a Corporator which is an offence under Section 168 I.P.C. read with Section 474 of the City Municipal Act. The appellant contended that at the date of the tender he was no longer a partner in the New Bombay Transport Co. which had submitted the tender in question. Their Lordships admitted the appeal which will come up for hearing in due course.

Mr. B. G. Thakore appeared for the appellant.

ATTEMPTED TO EXPORT TOWELS WITHOUT PERMIT

BOMBAY, Monday.

Kasarimal Gulabchand, Managing Partner of Girdharlal Ganeshyam Company, at Dadi Seth Agiari Lane, was arrested by the Crime Branch 2 on a charge of attempting to export out of Bombay 38 dozens of towels of Tata Mills without the requisite permit.

Mr. J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagoan Court, extended the bail period of the accused today.

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Branch Adjustments		1,19,71,000
Acceptances for Customers		3,62,71,000
Bills for Collection		1,66,32,000
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT		
Balance on 31-12-47	17,52,000	
Less : Dividend	6,00,000	
	11,52,000	
Add : Profit for 1948	36,48,000	
	48,00,000	
Less : Transfer to Reserve Fund, Investment A/c and other provisions	40,81,000	7,19,000
Total		51,84,11,000

ASSETS

Cash on hand and with Banks		7,37,47,000
Investments in Govt. Securities		28,71,72,000
Investments in Shares of Banks and Industrial Finance Corporation		33,11,000
Investments in Preference Shares in Joint Stock Companies		30,000
Loans, Advances and Bills purchased		12,83,87,000
Customers Liability on acceptances		3,62,71,000
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GULAM HUSAIN, the proprietor of Yadgare Panjab Hotel is confined to bed in Polish Nursing Home, since the last six days. He is given careful medical treatment. He is well known for his valuable social service rendered to the public. Recently he has given a donation to "The Gandhi Fund". He is supplying free ice to the needy every day. We wish that he should regain his health more rapidly and God should give him sound health and long life.

MASTER GULAM RASOOL.
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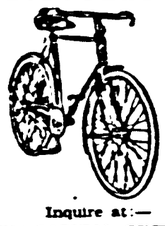

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To-day's Engagements

CONGRESS ELECTION MEETING: Napoo Gardens, Matunga, Mr. Morarji Desai at 9 p.m.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Meeting of the Improvements Committee will be held in the Corporation Hall today at 3 p.m. (B.T.)

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY: Next meeting today at Green's Hotel (first floor) at 1-45 p.m. Mr. G. V. Kitson will speak on "China—Some Personal Impressions".

GATHA SOCIETY MEETING today (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute Library Hall, Apollo Street. Dasturji Framroze Bode will expound Gatha Ushtavaiti Yasna Ha 44.

AMAR HIND MANDAL, DADAR: Fourth lecture of the Vasant Vyakhyan Mala will be delivered today at 9 p.m. by the Hon'ble Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works and Mines at the Antonio D'Silva High School (Compound) Dadar.

BOMBAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Meeting of the Members and their friends today at 6 p.m. in the Library of the Prince of Wales Museum. Mr. Braz A. Fernandes will read a paper Historical Background of the origin of loan and interest. Mr. N. Battacharji, will preside.

RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE: By Pandit Radhakrishna Shastri Nizampurkar on "Shankar Vedanta" at Zaoba's Ram Mandir Thakurdwar, from 6-30 to 7-30 p.m. every day up to 23rd April.

THE MOTION PICTURE SOCIETY OF INDIA General meeting of persons interested in the Film Industry will be held at the Blavatsky Lodge, Sandhurst Bridge, today at 6 p.m. when Mr. K. M. Modi who has recently returned from his tour of U.S.A. and U.K. will give his "Impressions of American and British Film Industry". Mr. Jack Kershaw, motion picture technician of Messrs. Kodak Ltd., also will speak on "Some Technical Aspects of the Film Industry". Mr. Chunilall, President M.P.S.I. will preside.

SOCIALIST PARTY: Election meetings, Telugu Munurwadi, Shankar Pupala Road, Kamatipura, at 9 p.m. Speakers: Purushottamdas Trikamdas, P. K. Atre and M. Harris. Bakra Adda Vinayak Vasudeo Chawl, Byculla at 9 p.m. Speakers: Purushottamdas Tricumdar, N. G. Gore and Rao Saheb Patwardhan.

HOTEL OWNERS MEETING: Under the auspices of the Bombay and Suburban Restaurant Keepers' Association a public meeting of Hotels, Restaurants and Eating Houses Owners of Bombay and Suburbs at 9 a.m. on Wednesday (tomorrow) at Kaiser Bagh (Dongri) to express the difficulties of Hotel Trade since the Bombay Shops and Establishment Act of 1948 came in force in amended form.

Mr. Gadgil To Speak Today

Under the auspices of the 'G' Ward, District Congress Committee a public meeting will be addressed by the Hon'ble Kaka Saheb Gadgil, Minister, Central Cabinet, on "The Important Problems of the Day", at 7 p.m. today at Shivaji Park Maidan. Separate seating arrangements for ladies has been made.

Nira Supervisors' Conference

Honorary Supervisors for Nira will meet in a conference at Poona on April 21 and 22. They will discuss the question of the development of palm products and propagation of Nira in Bombay Province.

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CORPORATION DISCUSSES RESOLUTION: MAYOR'S STATEMENT CRITICISED

BOMBAY, Monday.

A resolution moved by Dr. V. S. Matkar supporting the decision of the Bombay Legislative Assembly in favour of the formation of a United Province of Maharashtra (including the city of Bombay) on the linguistic basis, came up for discussion before the Bombay Municipal Corporation this afternoon. In the absence of Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay, Dr. Mascarenhas, Ex-Mayor presided.

The resolution also requested His Worship, the Mayor, to communicate the decision of the Corporation to the President of the Indian Constituent Assembly with a request that he would move that body to take necessary action for implementing the decision at an early date.

The mover of the resolution did not make lengthy speech in support of his resolution but the Socialist leaders including Mr. Asok Mehta, Mr. Sushil Kavlekar and Mr. Dinkar Desai spoke in support of the resolution and in the course of their speeches criticized Mr. S. K. Patil's recent statement issued from Madras regarding the future of the city of Bombay. They called the statement of Mr. Patil an 'undemocratic action'.

AMENDMENT MOVED.

Mr. Dayabhai Patel, leader of the Congress Municipal Party moved an amendment to the resolution saying "the Corporation approved the decision of the Congress Working Committee regarding the formation of linguistic provinces."

Mr. Dayabhai said that the Congress Working Committee had taken the decision on the issue after discussing the report of the Three-man Committee on linguistic provinces appointed by the Jaipur Session of the Congress. The members of this Committee were the Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhai Patel and Dr Pattabhi Sitaramyya, the Congress President.

Their recommendations were accepted by the Congress Working Committee and therefore they should abide by them. Mr. Homi Talyarkhan supported the amendment.

FUTURE OF BOMBAY.

Speaking on the resolution Mr. Asok Mehta said that the future of the city of Bombay should be decided by the people. The Corporation being the representative body of the citizens of Bombay, he said, should have an effective voice in the geographical future of the city.

Referring to the recent statement of Mr. Patil saying that he was in complete agreement with the recommendations of the Linguistic Provinces Committee that the Bombay city should be a separate Chief Commissioner's Province, Mr Mehta said, that the statement was most undemocratic and Mr. Patil being the Mayor of Bombay should not have made it. If the Bombay City, Mr. Mehta continued, made a separate Chief Commissioner's province who will be a nominee of the Central Government, it would deprive Bombay citizens of their democratic and civic rights. Further discussion was adjourned till the next meeting of the Corporation.

The Corporation at its special meeting to-day passed the resolution moved by Mr. B. R. Nayen requesting the Law and General Purposes Committee to consider the question of submitting a representation to Government drawing their attention to the difficulties experienced by the public in the working of the Shops and Establishments Act and suggesting necessary changes in the Act.

CONSULAR OFFICIALS AND INCOME TAX

Presentation For Exemption

BOMBAY, April 18 (API).—The Dean of the Consular Corps in Bombay has taken up with the Bombay Government the question of exemption of foreign consular officials from the payment of sales tax.

Sales Tax was first introduced in Bombay in 1946. This year, the tax has been enhanced in respect of certain commodities and a number of new articles have been added to the former list.

The Government of Bombay, it is gathered, are considering the representation of the consular corps and are ascertaining whether Consulates for India in foreign countries are exempted from the Sales Tax wherever it is in force.

CITY SEAMEN'S UNION

Mr. Dinkar Desai, the General Secretary of the Seamen's Union, Bombay has convened a Conference of the Seamen of Bombay today at 4 p.m. at the Cama Hall. The Conference will discuss ways and means to counteract the move of the Shipping Companies and the Government to disrupt the solidarity of the Indian Seamen. The Conference will also consider the methods to be adopted to get the seamen employed according to the Rotation System. Adam Adil, O. C. Mondes, M. A. Parkar and others will address the Conference.

AKHIL BHARTIYA ARYA UPDESHAK MAHASAMMELAN

The Secretary writes: The preparations for the Arya Updeshak Mahasammelan to be held at Lucknow from May 15 to 17, 1949 are feverishly being conducted.

Shri Kanhayalal Maniklal Munshi will inaugurate the conference on May 15. Shri M. S. Aney, Governor of Bihar and Shri Ghanshyam Singh Gupta, Speaker C. P. Assembly will also grace the occasion in connection with the Aryan-Culture-conference and the National Language-conference.

The Arya Sanyasi Sammelan will be initiated by Shri Swami Ramananda Tirtha, the well-known leader of the Hyderabad State.

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7-30 a.m. Kamlabai Bijapurkar (Bhavgeetan). 7-45 Arvind Parik. 8-0 News (E). 8-15 News (H). 8-30 U. M. Maniar. 8-45 News (G).

244 metres (1231 kc/s)
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12-45 p.m. Musical Interlude. 12-50 U. M. Maniar (Gujarti Geeto). 1-0 News (G). 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Schubert.

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5-0 Tarabai Gadagkar. 6-0 News (E). 6-10 News (H) 6-20 Kamlabai Bijapurkar. 6-30 S. Eknath Rao (Vocal music). 7-0 Topic of the day. 7-10 Local announcements and weather report. 7-15 Arvind Parik. 7-45 Film Music. 8-0 Kunjalata Desai (Gujarati Geeto). 8-15 News (G). 9-0 News (E). 8-15 News (H). 9-30 BBC News Relay. 10-0 There's Something in the Air. 10-30 Caesar Coelho. 10-45 Andre Kostelanetz and his Orchestra.

VARIATIONS
353 metres (850 kc/s)
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12-50 News (M). 1-0 S. Eknath Rao (Vocal music). 1-10 Suno Suno. 1-30 Vimal Arolkar (Vocal music). 1-40 News (H). 1-50 Akashwani Ne Chotaro.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, April 18, (A. P. I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Monday, the 18th April 1949:—

Thundershowers have been local in Assam and occurred at a few stations in sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Bihar Malabar and South-East Madras.

Day temperatures were appreciably above normal over the region from the East Punjab to Cutch, the East Central Provinces and the North Bombay Deccan and were markedly so in Cutch and Rajputana.

FORECAST UNTIL THE EVENING OF 19TH.—Thundershowers will occur locally in Assam, sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Malabar and South-East Madras and at a few stations in Gangetic West bengal, Chota Nagpur and Bihar.

EARTHQUAKE REPORT:—An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin with epicentre about 620 miles away from Delhi was recorded by the seismographs in the observatory at New Delhi at 12 hours 13 mts. (I.S.T.), on Sunday, the 17th April, 1949.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, April 18, (A. P. I.). The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 17th April 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8 hours (I.S.T.) on 18th April:—

Ahmedabad 110 79 0 0 0, Bangalore 93 73 0 1.6 plus 0.8, BOMBAY 91 80 0 0 0, Calcutta 95 81 0 2.3 plus 1.5, Cuttack 99 82 0 0.3 minus 0.4, Darjeeling 57 47 1.1 5.6 plus 4.1, Dehra Dun 93 64 0 0.8 plus 0.4, Delhi 105 71 0 0 minus 0.2, Kodaikanal 69 51 0.5 2.0 minus 0.7, Lucknow 102 72 0 0 minus 0.2, Madras 95 80 0 0.9 plus 0.6, Mahabaleshwar 97 69 0 0 minus 0.5, Nagpur 111 76 0 0.1 minus 0.3, Ootacamund 74 54 0 1.9 plus 0.5, Pachmarhi 97 74 0 0 minus 0.1, Patna 91 75 0 1.8 plus 0.6, Poona 107 72 0 0 minus 0.3, Shillong 66 52 0.4 5.5 plus 2.5, Sholapur 107 79 0 0 minus 0.2, Simla 74 58 0 1.6 plus 0.5.

Legal Aid Society

BOMBAY, Monday.

At the annual general meeting of the Legal Aid Society held at High Court Building today, Mr. F. A. Vakil was re-elected as the President and Mr. M. M. Pakwasa and Mr. B. G. Kher as Vice-Presidents. Mr. N. H. Pandia and Mr. R. M. Mankodi were re-elected as the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer respectively of the Society.

Additional Petrol Ration For Essential Purposes

In view of the augmentation of the Provincial petrol quota by the Government of India, it may be possible for the Government of Bombay to grant an additional petrol ration for essential purposes during the current quarter-April-June. Petrol coupons for this purpose can be issued only to vehicles based on areas fed by tank lorries and not involving movement of petrol by rail.

Applications are invited from the firms doing essential work for an additional petrol ration. They should give full details of the essential work they perform, registered numbers of the motor vehicles employed by them and calculations on which their demands are based. They should clearly write on the top of the application, as also on the envelope, "application for additional petrol ration for essential work". Only such firms as require additional petrol ration for operation of their vehicles in areas fed by tank lorries in the Bombay and Thana Regions should apply.

Government Cloth Shops: Working Hours

Public Relations Officer (Rationing), writes: From Monday the 18th April 1949 the working hours of the Government Cloth Shops on all the week days (including Saturday) are as follows:—8-0 A.M. to 11-30 A.M. and 3-0 P.M. to 6-30 P.M.

AGRICULTURE EXAMINATION RESULTS

Poona University

POONA, April 18 (API):

Following are the results of F. Sc. (Agriculture), S. Sc. (Agriculture) and B. Sc. (Agriculture) Examinations, 1949 held by the University of Poona.

F. Sc. (Agri): The following candidates are declared successful:—

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Results of the following candidates are held over:
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B. Sc. (Agriculture): The following candidates are declared sucessful:

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BAN ON KNIVES EXTENDED

BOMBAY April 18 (UPI): The ban imposed by the Commissioner of Police, Greater Bombay, on the import or transfer either by sale or any other means, of any consignment of knives including table knives, and other sharp-edged instruments, without a special licence to be obtained from him has been extended for two months from tomorrow.

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BUSINESSMEN DUPED BY BOGUS AGENCY OFFER

Newspaper Advertisement Columns Used For Attracting Victims

BOMBAY Monday.

Alleged facts pertaining to an imposing-looking but bogus office, at Orient Hotel Crawford Market, which was used to fleece an unwary person to the extent of Rs. 5,000, were revealed before Rao Saheb C. B. Velkar, Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Court today.

The General Branch of the Bombay C.I.D. narrated that one Dhanji Shamji Captain, who opened the office inserted an advertisement in the "Times of India" in the name of Samandas and Company offering agencies for Vanaspati Ghee.

The complainant in the case and was attracted by the advertisement walked into the office and met one "manager" now absconding. The "manager" introduced himself as Dhanji Shamji as the Seth.

The "Seth" offered the complainant the Amritsar agency for Vanaspati. He is also stated to have offered a wagonload of ghee, consisting of 30 tins of 35 lbs each tin, and 500 tins of 10 lbs. each tin.

The complainant who was suitably impressed paid an advance of Rs. 5,000—Rs. 300 in cash and the remainder by a draft.

Next morning when he went to the "Sethji's" office, he discovered that the Sethji and his manager had disappeared leaving an old and useless typewriter and some empty files behind.

The accused was ordered to be released on a bail of Rs. 5,000.

Another confidence trick played on an unwary businessman led to the arrest of Damodar Ramji Thakkar alias Landkat.

It was alleged that the accused persuaded somebody to buy worthless Army disposal scrap as Steel Carding Pins extensively used in Jute Mills and thus collected Rs. 24,000.

He was ordered to be released on a bail of Rs. 30,000 by the same magistrate.

GOPAL MOCHAN FAIR BANNED

AMBALA April 18 (API) The district magistrate of Ambala has banned the Gopal Mochan Fair scheduled to be held in Jagadhari Tehsil of the District on April 29 and 30.

The ban, it is stated, has been imposed to check the spread of plague, which is prevalent in many parts of the district.

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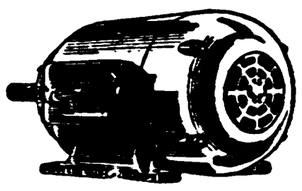

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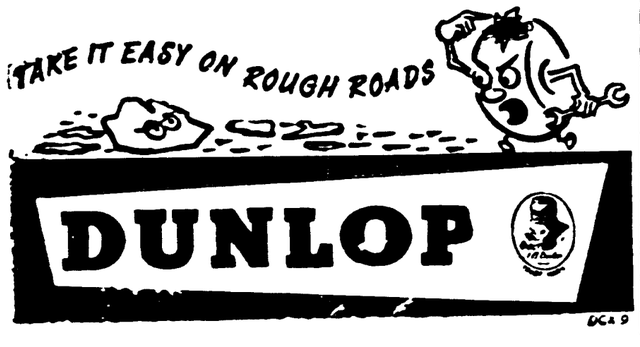

Tourist Industry For National Income

BOMBAY, April 18 (API): The Government of India is promoting the tourist industry as a "source of invisible national income and inter-national goodwill."

There are few countries in the world which provide the visitor with such a variety of climate, scenic attractions, architectural beauty and historic relics as India which, however, has yet to develop an organised tourist industry.

The Indian Ministry of Transport has therefore, set up an Ad Hoc Tourist Traffic Committee to draw up schemes for immediate development of tourist traffic, particularly from foreign countries.

A sub-committee appointed by this committee has dealt with the key tourist centres like the metropolitan cities of Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta, the hill stations like Simla and Darjeeling, Agra, the home of the Taj, and Ajanta and Ellora, storehouses of celebrated murals.

Recommendations of the Committee are now being reviewed by Government. The Committee is also hopeful of attracting tourists to Kashmir during the ensuing season.

Kashmir, the haven of foreign tourists, has been badly hit by the recent fighting. It is hoped that tourist traffic to Kashmir will be resumed with the return of normal conditions.

NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOL BUILDING

Condition For Rent Grant-In-Aid

The rent charged for a building owned by a school, for which a building grant was not paid and for which there is no loan repayment, will not, from the current financial year, be admitted for Government grant-in-aid. However, in th ecase of a building owned by a school, for which a building great was not paid and for which loan repayment is to be made by the management, a reasonable nominal rent to the extent of 7½ per cent. of the cost of the building will be admitted, provided the Executive Engineer of the Division certifies that the amount of rent charged is reasonable.

Ice Plants For Sale To Displaced Persons

The Government of India has got three ice plants for sale to displaced persons. Two of these plants are proposed to be installed in the new townships of Rajpura, near Ambala, and Faridabad, and the remaining one at any other place, but preferably in a new township for displaced persons. Applications in the prescribed form should reach Mr. J. N. Mathru, Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Secretariat, New Delhi, by April 30, 1949. Application forms may be had from the same officer.

T. W. A. Annual Report Shows Operating Gain

Indicating a greatly strengthened financial structure, Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., (Trans World Airline) showed an operating gain of dol 2,125,344 in 1948 as compared to an operating loss of dol 6,823,730 in 1947. At the same time, TWA reduced its net loss from dol 8,079,761 in 1947 to dol 478,987 in 1948, according to a statement issued by Warren Lee Pierson, Chairman of the Board, and Ralph S. Damon, President.

Gross revenues for the company in 1948 were dol 101,114,141.

The net loss for 1946, the year the Company began pioneering its international division, was dol 13,666,000.

In the report to stockholders and employees, the officers of the Company emphasized that the 1948 report "justified in substantial measure the efforts expended" to develop international service under unsettled and chaotic post-war conditions. The international division produced approximately 40 per cent of the gross revenue and showed a profit of dol 656,000.

This profit was offset by a net loss of dol 1,135,000 for the demestic division.

Improved results came mainly from an increase of dol 22,274,000 in gross revenues. However, over the year, increase in costs amounted to dol 13,325,000.

The company maintained a fleet of 122 airplanes, including 12 new Constellations added in 1948, and facilities necessary to provide transportation to 71 points extending more than half way around the world.

Total assets of the company at the end of 1948 were dol 77,647,000, but, it was pointed out, additional equity capital has been brought into the company since the first of the year. Plans for further strengthening the company's financial position are being considered.

Hindu Sabha Executive

NEW DELHI, April 18 (UPI): A meeting of the Working Committee of the All India Hindu Mahasabha is being called at New Delhi on May 7 and 8 next, to consider, among other items, report of the Common Platform Committee, final adoption of the programme of work which was held over at the last All India Committee meeting, and definite measures for revitalising the Mahasabha organisation.

NEW PERSIAN AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW.

TEHERAN, April 18 (PTI-Reuter): Aghel Hamid Sayyah Persia's ambassador to Moscow, has been recalled and Nader Arasteh now Minister of Communications, has been appointed to the post, it was officially announced here to-day.

Before he entered the Government, Naderf Arasteh was a career diplomat with several years' service in junior appointments in the Soviet Union. He has been Persian Minister in Berlin and Warsaw and was for five years embassy counselor in London.

JAMIAT BECOMES NON-POLITICAL

New Policy Adopted At Annual Session

LUCKNOW, APRIL 18, (API): THE JAMIAT-UL-ULEMA-I-HIND HAS BEEN CHANGED INTO A NON-POLITICAL BODY WHICH WILL HENCEFORTH CONCENTRATE ON THE RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL UPLIFT OF THE MUSLIM MASSES OF INDIA.

The Jamiat policy resolution embodying the change moved by the General Secretary Maulana Hifzur Rahaman was adopted early this morning by more than 10 thousand Muslims attending the annual session.

Speakers supporting the resolution referred to the political role of the Jamait for over a century and said that its object had been fulfilled after the achievement of freedom. The Jamait should, therefore, centralise its activities in spheres other than politics.

The policy resolution emphasised that Muslims should be persuaded to learn Devanagari script, and pamphlets and booklets explaining the fundamental principles of Islam be published in both scripts, Devanagari and Urdu, for the development of better understanding between the Indian people

ADVICE TO INDIAN MUSLIMS

Maulana Ahmad Saeed, who supported the resolution, advised Indian Muslims "not to look to Pakistan for inspiration and guidance" because such a cource "is highly detrimental to your interests".

He added that if they wished to prevent the tide of Communism engulfing Asia, it was necessary to bring about reformation in Islamic civilization.

The Jamait resolution on education said that seprate arrangements should be made to impart religious education to Muslim children reading in Government institutions for the development of social and moral character.

The Jamait urged the Central Government to encourage application of the Muslim Marriage and Divorce Laws framed on the basis of Shariat during the British regime.

Anti-War Demonstration In New York

NEW YORK, April 17 (PTI-Reuter): Anti-War demonstrators here to-day jostled aside Easter Paraders outside St. Patricks Cathedral, while thousands of worshippers were attending service.

The demonstration was halted when a United States Marine became involved in a fight with one of the pickets.

Police then ordered the demonstrators to disperse. They arrested two who refused.

The pickets represented organisations called "Peace makers", "Fellowship of reconstruction" and "War resisters' league."

To-day's traditional Easter Parade broke all records, traffic being held up for several blocks around the Cathedral, where crowds were the densest.

COMBINED MILITARY EXERCISE

LONDON, April 18 (PTI-Reuter): The armies of Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg will hold a big combined military exercise this summer according to unofficial reports circulating here today.

P. & T. Department To Utilise Services Of Bharat Airways

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API).—The Services of Bharat Airways will be utilised from today for carrying air parcels intended for delivery for and posted at Kanpur, Lucknow, Allahabad, Banaras and Patna, announces a press note issued by the Director General of Posts and Telegraphs today.

P. And T. Workers Conference In Patna

PATNA, April 17 (API).—Inaugurating the annual conference of the Union of Post and Telegraph Workers of Patna District branch today, Mr. A. N. Sinha, Finance Minister of Bihar, reminded Post and Telegraph workers of the responsibility that rested on them since the attainment of freedom. The efficient and smooth working of the network of communications of the country depended on them, he said.

Mr. Sinha urged them to consider themselves as part of society, and not as separate entity.

Mr. S. Sen, M.L.A. (Bihar), in his presidential address said that Post and Telegraph workers should respect public opinion and discharge their duties faithfully.

Messages wishing the conference success were received from the Governor-General Mr Rajagopalachari, Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Food Minister and Mr. Krishna Prasad, Director-General of Post and Telegraphs.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA—The Philippine Association of Boards of Examiners is seeking more supervisory control by the Government Boards of Examiners over professional education in the Republic "to ensure high technical standards of proficiency in the practice of the professions."

In a petition submitted to President Elpidio Quirino, the Association, which comprises the chairman and members of the 18 Boards of Examiners of the Bureau of Civil Service, recommends the creation of an office of the Board of Examiners directly under the office of the president.

The president has expressed himself in favour of this and other suggestions but has advised the Association to draft resolutions embodying the requests for presentation to Congress as they require legislative enactment.—P.T.I.-Reuter.

TRAVANCORE-COCHIN INTEGRATION

Expected To Be Finalised About Middle Of May

NEW DELHI, April 18. (UPI): The integration of Travancore and Cochin is expected to be finalised about the middle of May when Mr. V. K. Menon, Advisor to the States Ministry, visits Travancore.

Earlier, Mr. Menon accompanied by Mr. M. M. Buch, joint Secretary of the States Ministry will visit Bombay, Gwalior and Indore to settle the private properties of the rulers of Rajasthan, Deccan and Madhya Bharat States.

Mr. Menon is leaving for Abu tomorrow where he will meet the rulers of Rajasthan and from there will go to Bombay to meet the rulers of Deccan States.

Mr. V. K. Pillai, at present Regional Commissioner of Rajasthan, is considered to be the likely choice for the Chief Commissionership of Bhopal.

Mr. Menon will visit Gwalior on April 30 and Indore on May 3 in connection with settlement of the private properties of the rulers there.

SARDAR ON MADHYA BHARAT POLITICS

GWALIOR, April 18. (UPI): Mr. V. S. Khode Deputy Premier of Madhya Bharat Union, returned here to-day from new Delhi and immediately left for Indore the same afternoon.

In New Delhi, he met Sardar Patel who is reported to have declined to intervene in Madhya Bharat Politics, and advised the dissident group to thrash out the issue of the leadership of the Congress Assembly party at its forthcoming meeting at Gwalior on April 22.

Mr. Khode has already tendered resignation of his office and is understood to be lending his support to the group which has tabled the vote of no-confidence against Mr. Liladhar Joshi, Premier of Madhya Bharat Union.

Concessions To Refugee Students In Madhya Bharat

INDORE, April 16.— With a view to affording relief to Refugees, the Madhya Bharat Government have issued instructions that refugee students are admitted in the existing Government schools with freeship and are given grants for books and stationery. So far students in Indore and Mhow received Rs. 3,515/- as grants Besides, a sum of Rs. 55,800/- has been transferred to the different Subhas and the Education Department for this purpose. Where the number of students, however, is sufficiently large, additional schools are being opened or necessary financial aid is given to private schools. At present three Government and three private schools are running, of which two are upto the High School standard and four to the primary standards.

New Daily For Baroda

BARODA, April 18 (A.P.I.): The 56-year old Gujerati journal "Sree Sayaji Vijaya" brought out today its first issue as a daily newspaper edited by Mr. Maneklal A. Doctor.

Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Prime Minister of Baroda, performed the inauguration ceremony of the new daily, which was attended by Ministers and Judges of Baroda State.

"Sree Sayaji Vijaya" was originally a weekly and later became a bi-weekly.

INDIA AND IRAN

CALCUTTA, April 18. (UPI): Mutual understanding between states and people for the establishment of peace and concord in the world, was emphasised by the Iranian Ambassador in India, in Calcutta to-day at a reception given by the local Iran society.

He said: "Iran and India have enjoyed close relationships from times immemorial. We have ever admired and drawn from each other and our social, cultural and racial and linguistic ties have always been noticeable in our history.

"These facts are all the more encouraging since they enable peoples to grow in mutual understanding in accordance with the modern conceptions of relations between states which may contribute to the establishment of peace and concord in the world.

"In fact, the principles laid down in the constitution the UNESCO are in no way different."

The Iranian ambassador is leaving for Darjeeling on a two-day visit. Returning to Calcutta on Friday next, he will leave for Delhi the next day.

SIR H. P. MODY TO BE SWORN IN ON MAY 1

LUCKNOW, April 18 (API): Sir H. P. Mody, Governor-Designate of the United Provinces is arriving in Lucknow on May 1. He will be sworn in as Governor of the Province at Government House, Lucknow, the same day.

More National Parks For Britain

LONDON, (By Cable).

A Bill to establish national parks in England and Wales and provide more public access to uncultivated land and the country generally has just been given second reading in the House of Commons with the support of all the Parties.

It was agreed that subject to proper protection of agriculture and forestry and the needs of economic development the townspeople should be entitled to access to certain land to be designated locally. Footpaths are also to be mapped and publicly maintained.

The proposed National Parks Commission will have powers to designate as national parks all the more important wild and beautiful areas of England and Wales. These parks, of which the largest and one of the first will be in the Lake District, will differ from those in the other more extensive countries. While their object will be to promote recreation, sport and conservation of exceptional beauty and wild life these purposes will, in the confined space of England, have to be provided for alongside ordinary rural uses of land and necessary economic uses such as mining.—L.P.S.

TRAVANCORE SATYAGRAHA CALLED OFF

Kamaraj Nadar's Intervention Tells

TRIVANDRUM, APRIL 17 (A.P.I.): THE SATYAGRAHA MOVEMENT LAUNCHED ON APRIL 13 (TAMIL NEW YEAR'S DAY) BY THE TRAVANCORE TAMIL NAD CONGRESS SEEKING MERGER OF THE TAMIL-SPEAKING AREAS OF SOUTH TRAVANCORE INTO THE ADJOINING MADRAS PROVINCE WAS CALLED OFF TODAY.

Mr. A. Nesamony, Leader of the Travancore Tamil Nad Parliamentary Party, told the Associated Press of India tonight: "on the advice tendered by Sardar Patel through Mr. Kamaraj Nadar, President of the Tamil Nad Congress, I have this day called off the satyagraha movement started by the Travancore Tamil Nad Congress after consultation with its president, Mr. S. Nathaniel."

NADAR'S STATEMENT

Mr. Kamaraj Nadar, President of the Tamil Nad Congress Committee in a statement issued tonight says:

"I came to Travancore to advise the Travancore Tamil Nad Congress to call off the satyagraha movement started by them. I met Mr. A. Nesamony, second dictator, and discussed with him the various aspects of the movement. I pointed out to him and later to Mr. S. Nathaniel, President of the Travancore Tamil Nad Congress whom I met along with Mr. R. K. Ram (Secretary of T. T. N. C.) that it was the considered opinion of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel that "the integration of Travancore and Cochin is an urgent nesessity for several important reasons and that it no way prejudices the claims of Tamil portions to be integrated into Tamil portions of Madras if and when linguistic redistribution takes place." After careful consideration of the situation, they agreed to call off the satyagraha. I hope that the Government of Travancore would immediately release all persons in custody and withdraw prosecutions, if any, that have been instituted in connection with this movement.

"It is the desire of the Travancore Tamil Nad Congress that even before linguistic provinces are formed, they should be united with the Tamil Nad Congress for Congress purposes. I have assured that I will render them all help towards accomplishing this"

SUBHAS BOSE'S POLITICAL IDEALS

Forward Bloc Preparing Thesis

NAGPUR, April 18 (A.P.I.): The thesis sub-committee of the Forward Bloc, meeting here since yesterday, is considering a thesis on Subhas Chandra Bose's political ideal and principles which led him to foirm a distinct group in the shape of the All-India Forward Bloc.

The sub-committee, which consists of Mr. R. S. Ruikar, Mr. Anil Roy, Mr. Nishith Nath Kundu, Dr. Atindranath Bose, Mr. V. L. Sunder Rao Dr. S. K. Bose, has before it a draft thesis prepared by one of its members.

The Central Committee of the All-India Forward Bloc is meeting here tomorrow.

Rajen Babu To Tour Mysore State

BANGALORE, April 18 (API): Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Chairman of the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Fund, is expected in Bangalore on April 24 for a two-day tour of Mysore state regarding collections for the fund. According to present arrangements, he will visit Mysore city on April 25 and on the following day Harihar.

On April 27 he will tour Hubli and other parts of Karnataka. To date, contributions to the Fund in the state stand at about Rs. 15 lakhs.

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SCRAPPY DISPLAY BY EAST PUNJAB POLICE

Beat Army Reds To Enter Aga Khan Semi-Final

East Punjab Police 1 Army Reds, Gwalior 0

BOMBAY, Monday.— Giving an unimpressive and unconvincing display the East Punjab Police prevailed over the Army Reds from Gwalior by the only goal of the match scored during the fourteenth minute of play by Balbir Singh, and qualified to meet the Lusitanians in the semi-final of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament.

Inside-left Kunzru assisting the losers turned in easily the best performance of the evening and earned the honours of the day. His trapping and distribution of the ball was invariably effective and even the formidable defence of the East Punjab side including Trilochan Singh, Dharam Singh and Amir Kumar was often bypassed by Kunzru who, however, received indifferent support from the rest of his colleagues. Chotta Babu, bringing with him memories of the glomorous past, was still useful but only occasionally. His inability to move quickly lost him most of the effectiveness which he created by his openings and distribution of the ball.

Ten minutes from the end, the Gwalior side should have equalised but an excellent chance was lost first by Kunzru and then by Chitnis, each of whom failed to beat the custodian who was also the only defender left in front of them.

This scoring opportunity apart, the losers had almost as much of the game as their opponents if not a trifle more. But the strength of the East Punjab Police defence made the task of entering the circle difficult and that of essaying a shot into the goal even more so. Playing without a speedy or opportune winger, the Army Reds were forced to concentrate their game on the three inside men and this narrowing down of their game proved to be easy picking for the rival defence already outstanding.

Between the losers' goal, Khalil gave an excellent display and contrived to stop a couple of dangerous scoops from centre-forward Balbir Singh. Yusuf and Roman the deep defenders were also seen to good advantage and were responsible for the failure of the smooth working between Udham Singh, now playing at insidering, Balbir Singh and Kirpal, Singh. Awasthi in the pivotal position also played well and made good use of the ball.

For their part, what appeared to be a formidable front line capable of tearing fatal gaps in the defence of even the strongest sides, failed to create much impression as the East Punjab forwards dallied in the midfield and had their plans thwarted long before they reached the vital end. None of the players played as well as they should have against an opposition which did not have sufficient defence in them to concede but one goal during the sixty minutes' play. Neither Balbir nor Udham Singh even touched the brilliance of which they are capable.

The teams:

EAST PUNJAB POLICE— Ram Prakash: Trilochan Singh and Dharam Singh; Gurcharan Singh, Amir Kumar and Dadoo Masih; Ram Sarup, Udham Singh, Balbir Singh, Kirpal Singh and Jagraj Singh.

ARMY REDS- GWALIOR.. Khalil; Yusuf and Roman; Narayan Singh, Awasthi and Mushtaq; Powar, Chota Babu, Chitnis, Kunzru and Rangnekar.

SUSHIL RUIA LOSES £1,200 JEWELLERY

LONDON, April 18 (PTI- Reuter): Mr. S. R. Ruia, a member of the Indian Badminton Team now touring Britain, missed jewellery and other property worth £1,200 during last night from his flat in the centre of London.

Amarnath Hopes Board Will Play "Cricket"

KANPUR, April 18, (A.P.I.): Lala Amarnath, India's former test captain, who arrived here last night, said in an interview he was grateful to Mr. A. S. De Mello, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India, for agreeing to place before the Board his request to make public the charges which led to disciplinary action against him.

Amarnath, who was suspended last week from playing representative cricket for India "for continued misbehaviour and breach of discipline", said: "I am much obliged to Mr. De Mello for this act of small mercy".

He said he had "sacrificed and suffered much—not only financially but in friendship as well—out of devotion and loyalty" to the Board and its President.

"While I do not expect any favour from the Board", Amarnath said, "I certainly hope they will play cricket with me".

NATIONAL SPORTS CLUB OF INDIA

Working Committee To Meet In Delhi Today

BOMBAY, April 18, (A.P.I.): The Working Committee of the National Sports Club of India will meet at Patiala House, New Delhi, on April 19, it was learned here today.

Mr. A. S. De Mello, Hon. Secretary of the National Sports Club, Mr. Naval Tata and Shri Tricumdas Dwarkadas left today for Delhi to attend the meeting.

INDIAN OLYMPIC GAMES MAY HAVE MORE ITEMS

Proposal To Include Hockey, Football Aquatics And Boxing

BOMBAY, April 18 APD. Hockey, Football, Aquatics and Boxing are likely to be added to the present programme of the Indian Olympic Games, held every two years.

The organisers of the next Olympic Games, to be held at Calcutta in February next, have addressed a circular letter to member associations all over India asking for their views on this proposal.

The present Olympic programme consists of only seven items: Athletics, Cycling, Volley Ball, Basket Ball, Wrestling, Weight-lifting an Hut-tu-tu.

The proposal, if it finds favour with the various sporting associations, will make the Olympics more representative of indoor and filed sports.

BOMBAY GREYS "B" TOP JUNIOR DIVISION

Women's Hockey League

BOMBAY, Monday.

Bombay Grey's 'B' accounted for Panchgani Pansies by two goals to nil in the Cordeiro Cup Women's League played at the B. P. H. A. ground this evening. Y. Carvalho scored both the goals for the Grey's junior outfit and placed them at the top of the League table in the junior division.

Aquatic Exhibition In Aid Of Gujerat Relief Fund

BOMBAY, Monday.

The Pransukhlal Mafatlal Hindu Swimming Bath and Boat Club will hold a Water Polo and Diving Exhibition, in aid of the Gujarat Relief Fund, on this Wednesday.

The programme, which is scheduled to start at 9 p.m. on the 20th instant; is as follows:—

1. Inter—Club Relay.
2. Diving by Members.
3. Diving Exhibition by Miss Betty Slade.
4. Bath Babies Race.
5. P. M. H. Bath "A" (Bombay's Water Polo Champions) Vs. Rest of Bombay.

Inter-Provincial Hockey In Pakistan

PESHAWAR April 17 (PTI-Reuter): Sind beat the Royal Pakistan Navy by one goal to zero in the final of the second Inter-Provincial Hockey Championships of Pakistan here yesterday. The goal was scored three minutes before the final whistle.

General Sir Mackay, Chief of the General Staff, Pakistan Army, gave away the trophy and certificates.

HAT-TRICK BY REGO FOR BURMAH-SHELL

Nadkarni Cup Soccer

BOMBAY, Monday.

Burmah Shell Sports Club trounced Asbestos Cement by six goals to nil in the Nadkarni Cup Turnament at the Cooperage this evening.

The game was as one-sided as the score suggests, and the few handful of spectators who turned up to witness this encounter, were thoroughly bored.

The winners were not unduly extended by their opponents in winning by so convincing a margin. They secured a two-goal lead in the first half through Rego and Santan, and in the second half a grand hat-trick by Rego brought their score to five and a goal later by Murthi completed the winners' tally for the day.

Earlier in the evening Goan Sports Club 'C' and Port Rangers figured in a goalless draw in the Summeragill Cup Tournament, neither side being able to penetrate the rival defences.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY

Bombay Gymkhana Ground

5-40 p.m. St. Xavier's vs. Hindustan Aircraft, Bangalore.

Association Ground

3-15 p.m. Dufferin 'B' vs. St. Mary's H. S. (Viegas Cup).

4-30 Dufferin 'A' vs. Don Bosco High School 'B' (Semi-Final of Junior Aga Khan).

5-45 p.m. Lusitanians 'A' vs. Bombay City 'A' (Women's League Division I).

FOOTBALL

Cooperage

3-15 p.m. Goan S. C. 'C' vs. Port Rangers (Summersgill Cup Replay).

4-15 p.m. Union S. C. vs. Colaba New Star 'B' (Summeragill Cup).

5-30 p.m. Elphinstone F. C. vs. Goan S. C. 'A' (Nadkarni Cup).

HILTON & DAWKES GET A "LOOK IN"

M. C. C. To Try Out Promising Youngsters

LONDON April 18 (PTI-Reuter): The fact that Hilton (Lancashire) and Dawkes (Derbyshire) have been asked to play for the M.C.C. against Essex at Lords in the opening match of the cricket season indicates that the M.C.C. are anxious for an early look at promising players who may be in line for representative honours.

The form of George Dawkes is likely to be watched particularly closely. He began his career early, and enjoyed two seasons before the war as regular wicket-keeper with Leicestershire. Last year he did extremely well with the gloves with Derbyshire, and also played many valuable hard hitting innings. He is probably the other challenger to Godfrey Evans (Kent) as England's wicket-keeper.

Malcolm Hilton, the 20-year-old left-arm spin bowler, will probably always be remembered for his feat in dismissing Don Bradman twice in a match for Lancashire last year. That startling achievement did nothing to spoil a level-headed young player who undoubtedly shows great promise.

Irish Grand National Won By Shagreen

FAIRYHOUSE (Eire), April 18 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. J. V. Rank's eight-year old gelding Shagreen (by Epigram out of Cooleen) starting second favourite at five to one, won the Irish Grand National Steeplechase run over three and a half miles here today.

Ridden by Eddie Newman, Shagreen had four lengths to spare at the finish over 28 to 1 outsider, Highland Lad, ridden by C. J. Kennedy, with the 9 to 2 favourite Castle-dermot a further fifteen lengths away, third of the twenty runners.

The winner who carried ten stone ten pounds is trained by Tom Dreaper who also trains the winnings owner's famous veteran steeplechaser Prince Regent.

100,000 Watch Pakistan Wrestling Championship

KARACHI April 18 (PTI-Reuter): Bholo won the title "Rustom of Pakistan "defeating Yunus in the All-Pakistan Wrestling Championships here last night.

Mr. D. S. Senanayake the Prime Minister of Ceylon, was among the 100,000 spectators who witnessed the contest. The Governor-General of Pakistan presented the silver mace to the champion.

Well-known wrestlers Gama, Imam Bakhsh, and Hamida attended.

FREEMAN BEATS OOI TEIK HOCK

COPENHAGEN, April 18 (PTI-Reuter).—America's Badminton Ace Dave Freeman won the Men's Singles in the five-day International Badminton Tournament which ended here today but not until he had, in his own words, had the hardest game he had ever played. His final with the Malayan Wizard Ooi Teik Hock whom he beat 15-11, 14-18, 17-15 was described by one Danish expert as "probably the best game ever played in Europe".

Freeman told reporters that he thought some of the Malayan victorious Thomas Cup team who participated in the tournament could "probably beat me after a few more games."

Freeman had twice previously beaten Ooi, once in the Thomas Cup and again in the final of the English Championship.

Some of the Malayans certainly found out his weaknesses and began to play on them. In this tournament his main weakness seemed to be his forehand but his longer arms and legs gave him a substantial advantage over the shorter Malayans.

The Women's Singles Title was retained by Tonny Ahm, of Denmark, who beat Kirsten Thoandahl, also of Denmark, 11-4, 11-3.

In the final of the Mixed Doubles Chan Kon Leong (Malaya) and Tonny Ahm (Denmark) beat Tage Madsen and Kirsten Thorndahl (Denmark) 9-15, 15-12, 15-2.

In the final of the Women's Doubles Tonny Ahm and Kirsten Thorndahl beat Wase Svendsen and Inge Birgit Steffen Nielsen in an All-Danish match 15-8, 15-1.

In an all-Malayan Men's Doubles final, Ooi Teik Hock and Teoh Seng Khoon beat Chan Kon Leong and Yeoh Teck Chye 15-7, 18-6.

VON NIDA WINS GOLF TITLE OF AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA, April 18 (PTI-Reuter): Norman Von Nida won the Australian Commonwealth Territory Open Golf Championship at Royal Canberra Course today in a play-off with Eric Cremin. Each had returned 136 for the 36 holes. Cremin, however, won first prize money of £125 (Australian) by virtue of his better total with the inclusion of 18 holes played yesterday to decide the professional purse. Cremin's total for the 54 holes was 203 against Von Nida's 206.

After tieing with 136 in the 36 holes competition proper, Von Nida and Cremin agreed to play an additional nine holes to decide the championship. In this layoff Von Nida returned 32 to defeat Cremin by two strokes, their final scores being 168 and 170 respectively. The professional purse was decided on the 36 holes of the competition proper plus yesterday's 18 holes. Cremin, with a total of 203 defeated Von Nida by three strokes for first prize.

KHAR GYMKHANA ANNUAL SPORTS

Mrs. Morarji Desai, wife of the Bombay Province's Home Minister is seen presenting one of the successful competitors with his prize at the Annual Sports of the Khar Gymkhana on Sunday.

PLAYERS PAID POORLY WHILE SPIVS' GET RICH

Blackmarketing In Tickets In British Soccer International

LONDON, April 17 (PTI-Reuter): Watching black marketeers selling tickets for the England versus Scotland soccer match at Wembley for fantastic sums and learning that the gate money reached nearly £45,000 one pondered on the "miserable" sum, the 22 players received.

Their pay for being the gladiators in this great sporting holiday was £20 less tax, giving them a net sum of £11 or the black market price of one grandstand ticket!

It is indeed true that soccer players in Britain are the most under paid sportsmen in the world taking into account the crowds that attract to watch them play. And yet a different system has many snags.

NO REMEDY

Long ago this "injustice" would have been remedied and the players themselves would have rebelled against it had there been any easy solution.

There is not. There are innumerable difficulties in paying the best players the highest sums as in boxing. After all soccer is a team and the best side is that in which every player forms an integral part of the machine.

Either the whole team has to get a much bigger sum or none of it. May be players could get a bigger sum when playing for their country. There does not seem to be anything radically wrong against that but to pay them much more than the regulation £12 a week for league matches would lead to many complications as football officials and the players themselves have discovered.

BOXING MONEY

Mention has been made of boxing. Only this week one British sports columnist has lashed out against the money made by boxers, whom he describes as the most overpaid sportsman in the world.

He goes on to say "there are too many wishywashy (poor) fighters today picking up £250 for fights for which they would have been grateful to settle for £25 ten years ago. A champion worth £1,000 a decade ago now talks in terms of £10,000.

His point is that someone has to pay to supply the boxers with these big sums and that it is the long suffering public which has to foot the bill by paying fantastic prices for their seats.

HUNT GYMKHANA RACES IN BOMBAY

Miss Dhun Vakeel, who is seen above astride her "Alishan", being led in after winning the Juhu Plate at this Saturday's Hunt Gymkhana Races in Bombay. This race was confined purely to lady riders, and Dhun Vakeel gave an excellent display of "horsemanship" in winning this event.

RICHARD 'PANCHO' GONZALES PLANS AMBITIOUS SCHEDULE

Will Seek World's Lawn Tennis Crown At Wimbledon In A "Grand Slam" On The Courts

BY ED. WORKMAN

LOS ANGELES, (UPA)—Richard (Pancho) Gonzales, the "Bad Boy" of lawn tennis only a few years ago, has planned an ambitious schedule in his quest to add international titles to his three National championships.

America's leading amateur recently won the National Indoor Championship at New York to become the first player to rule this country's amateur game on grass, clay and wood at the same time.

After a series of Southern Californian tune-up tournaments, and one at Houston, Texas, the rangy, 190-pound Gonzales will fly to Paris to play in the French National championships in May. This will be followed by a trip to England to seek the "World's lawn tennis crown at Wimbledon in his campaign for a "Grand Slam" on the courts

BETTER NOW

"I'm playing better now than I ever did before, and I have more confidence", Gonzales said. "I don't know how my game will be affected when I get to Europe."

Flying back from Europe Gonzales will use his siege-gun service and thundering volley to defend two of the National titles he won last year. First will be the National Clay-Court Championships in Chicago, July 9-17, then he will go East for the grass season which will be climaxed by his defence of the Nationals at Forest Hills, New York.

He hopes he also will be chosen on the American Davis Cup team for any matches that will come up in that international competition.

"But I may break a leg or get beaten in tournaments before the Davis Cup team is picked", Gonzales cautiously said regarding the chances of making the American team.

Before leaving for Europe, the hard-stroking Gonzales will play in tournaments at La Jolla, California.

The U. S. Lawn Tennis Association is sponsoring Gonzales European trip while the Southern California Tennis Association is underwriting the defence of his two National titles.

PRACTISED LONG HOURS

Not so many years ago, the 21-year-old Gonzales was in disfavour with the amateur tennis groups because he wouldn't go to school. In 1941 his mother bought the "zoot suit" boy a tennis racked "to keep him out of trouble."

The husky athlete practised long hours on a high school court, but he was ruled ineligible for junior tennis because of his poor showing in three Los Angeles High Schools that he tried. Finally he quit school "simply because I didn't like it."

After a stretch in the Navy, Gonzales popped up in senior tennis play. His role as "giant killer" soon attracted a following and he was put back in the good graces of the tennis moguls.

If his four-month-old son, Richard, Jr., wants to learn to play tennis Gonzales will be glad to teach him.

"But you don't learn unless you want to", he said. "You can't make a tennis player out of anybody."

BEIGHTON CUP HOCKEY

Two More Visiting Teams Out In First Round

CALCUTTA, April 17, (A.P.I.): Two visiting teams, Jamalpore Sporting and Jamshedpur Punjab Sports, were eliminated from the Beighton Hockey Tournament today in first round matches.

Jamalpore Sporting lost to Collegians, the local first division team, by the only goal scored in the match. On the run of play Jamalpore Sporting were the better side, particularly in the second half, but the poor finish of their forwards handicapped them. The Collegians scored in the ninth minute of the second half.

B. G. Press were right on top throughout the match against Jamshedpur Punjab Sports. They scored twice in the first half and three times after the interval.

In the replay of the first round drawn match between the two local teams Greer and Rangers, the former won by three goals to one.

Results:—

Greer—three, Rangers—one.

Collegians—one, Jamalpore Sporting—nil.

B. G. Press—five, Jamshedpur Punjab Sports—nil.

East Bengal-B. N. R. Replay Again Ends In Draw

CALCUTTA, April 18 (A.P.I.): The replay match between East Bengal and B. N. Railway (Kharagpur) in the first round of the Beighton Cup Hockey Tournament again ended in a draw today, each side scoring once. The game went through a double extra period.

The following were the results of today's matches.—

East Bengal 1, B. N. Railway (Kharagpur) 1.

Calcutta F. C. 2, Mahakosal Club (Jubbulpore) nil.

Customs A. C. two, Port Blair XI (Andamans) nil.

Mohan Bagan four, New Modern Construction Club (Burnapur) nil.

International Sports Meet For Deaf And Dumb

COPENHAGEN, April 17, (PTI-Reuter): Over 500 entrants from 15 countries are expected to take part in an international sports meeting for the deaf and dumb which is to be held here from August 12 to 16 this year.

The meeting will be the sixth of its kind and will also make the 25th anniversary of the first meeting, held in 1928 in Amsterdam.

Then, there were 210 participants from nine countries.

The organisers are planning the meeting on the same lines as the Olympic games.

Contest have been arranged in all branches of sport, including athletics, soccer swimming and tennis. The programme also includes a 100 kilometre road race.

Betting On Sports Events

LEADING BOOKMAKERS OFFER ADVANCE ODDS

LONDON, April 17, (PTI-Reuter): It is said that British fans will bet on anything and during the war soldiers in the desert were said to have betted on sandflies crawling or jumping after food morsels put down as bait. Efforts are certainly being made by leading bookmakers to entice the punter with advance odds on coming events, notably big races, the Cup final, boxing and golf tournaments.

Duggie Stewart one of the leading national bookmakers includes odds for the Derby and 2,000 Guineas classic races, Woodcock versus Mills boxing championship the Cup final and the first of the season's professional golf tournaments.

He makes Woodcock even money for the fight with odds five to four on Mills, holder of the world light heavyweight championship. Wolverhampton Wanderers are nine to four on favourites for the cup with two to one offered against Leicester.

Early form of some of the contenders for the classic races has led to a cramping of odds and punters will probably prefer to look for a likely outsider rather than risk their money on horses which have been established favourites at very short ods.

It is not likely that the odds offered in the golf tournament will prove very attractive. Only nine men are actually named with Fred Daly former open champion and Dai R joint favourites at nine to one.

It is doubtful whether either Daly or Rees himself, however much he fancied his own chance would be satisfied with such comparatively short odds on a field of nearly 200 players Anything can happen in 72 holes of stroke play at golf and more attractive odds say even 20 to one, would attract more punters as many an outsider might risk five shillings on himself with chance of 5 coming along.

CARBON COPY WINS SYDNEY CUP

RANDWIC (Sydney), April 18, (PTI-Reuter): Messrs. A. G. Silk and H. J. Ascost's Carbon Copy, Bhelion out of Havers, won the £10,000 Sydney Cup over two miles here today by half a length from Vagabond, with Benbold a further three lengths away third in field of 20.

Carbon Copy, riden by Breasley, carried 8-5 and started at four to one. Vagabond ridden by Ward (8-2) started at seven to one and Benbold with Selkrig up (6-8) nine to one.

Carbon Copy took the lead in the straight, holding off Vagabond's challenge to win in three minutes 23-1/2 seconds.

16 Probables For Today's Great Metropolitan At Epsom

LONDON, April 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): There are 16 probable runners for the Great Metro-politan Handicap to be run over two and a quarter miles at Epsom tomorrow: They are:

Laurentis T. Burn; Now or Never—Gordon Richards; Wagay—F. Emanuell; Lacovedis—M. Beary; Fedor the Second—Edgar Britt; Bangkok—R. Sheppard; Better Catch—G. Littlewood; Karagan the Second—H. Packham; Yoyo—W. Cook; Neville Lodge—G. Greathurst; Birijik—E. P. H. Smith; Pascaval—J. Sirett; Stipulation (Jockey not known); Lovely Perm—C. Orton; Timocrat—(Jockey not known); and Henry the Third—F. Sharpe.

Laurentis, Wagay and Fedor the Second will not run unless there is rain.

Marcel Boussac Wins Yet One More With "Ambiorix"

PARIS, April 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Marcel Boussac's Ambiorix, last year's champion French two-year old, today won the 800 pounds sterling Prix Greffluhe over a mile and a quarter at Longchamp.

Ambiorix, by Tourbillon out of Lavendula, beat Cicomtesse Vidier's Rancio by one and a half lengths, with Comte Andre De Felse's Huxley a further five lengths behind, third of six runners.

Parimutuel to ten Franc stake win, twelve Francs, places eleven Francs and eleven Francs.

Winner was ridden by Roger Poincelet.

NEW SCHEME OF INDUSTRIAL HOUSING

NEW DELHI, April 18, (API): The Government of India have circulated a new scheme of industrial housing to the Provincial Governments, it is learnt.

The Centre is anxious that the execution of the scheme should commence immediately, so that the target of "one million houses in ten years" may be achieved.

The houses to be built will consist of two rooms with an area of 240 sq. ft., a kitchen, an independent bath, lavatory, verandah and courtyard. Each house, it is estimated, will cost about Rs. 7,500 in Bombay and Calcutta and will have a life of 35 years.

Central and regional housing boards will be set up to execute the scheme.

Training College For Cominform Agents

LONDON, (IPS): A training college for Cominform agents intended to operate in Britain, Scandinavia, Germany, Holland and Denmark has begun work in Latvia, says a Stockholm message quoting Riga reports. It is stated that it is a counterblast to the Atlantic Pact recently signed and that the Cominform will intensify propaganda to nullify it.

The Bombay Chronicle

We invite the capitalist to regard himself as a trustee for those on whom he depends for the making, the retention and the increase of his capital. If capital is power, so is labour.

—MAHATMA GANDHI

NATIONAL LANGUAGE AND SCRIPT

The proceedings of the 8th session of the U. P. Hindi Sahitya Sammelan at Lucknow show that the controversy about the national language is getting confused because the very meaning or connotation of the terms Hindi and Hindustani are understood differently by different persons. About a generation ago the two terms were understood in much the same sense but the term Hindi was in common use, and only Europeans and Indian army men preferred the term Hindustani. Thus when Mahatma Gandhi wished to popularise the language in South India he approved of the name Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha for the institution started for this purpose. Later the two terms came to have different meanings, Hindi meaning the north Indian language with an unduly large admixture of Sanskrit words and Hindustani meaning the same language without too many classical words from Sanskrit, Persian or Arabic. Gandhiji then at first used the term Hindi-Hindustani, as if to suggest that he would use either term to mean the language spoken by the common people of North India. Later, however, to prevent misunderstanding he consistently used the term Hindustani. And most people followed him in using the two terms in the senses mentioned above.

During the last few years, a fierce controversy has gone on as to whether the national language should be Sanskritised Hindi or popular Hindi or Hindustani. Supporters or Hindi now admit that the national language must be popular or simple in basic Hindi but ask why it must be called Hindustani and not 'Hindi'. They contend that different styles of the same language need not be called by different names. This line of argument seems to be persuading many to support the term Hindi. They are also influenced by the now common use of the term Hindustani to mean Urdu under the garb of Hindustani. Thus at the Lucknow conference even a responsible person like Mr. Sampurnanand, Education Minister of the U. P., said that by making Urdu the State language and calling it Hindustani "a fraud would be perpetrated on the people" Mr. Kamalapati Tripathi, President of the Conference, also remarked that the language presented to them in the name of Hindustani was nothing less than Urdu. Such misuse of the very names of the languages from which one is to be chosen as the national language creates unnecessary confusion and puts a premium on partisanship. But one good result of the use of terms in different senses at different times is that many have come to care more for the nature or content of the national language than for the name. They will be satisfied if the national language is simple and popular, without too many unfamiliar classical expressions, whether it is called Hindi or Hindustani. As the predominent language in eight provinces and States Unions is Hindi and as the U.P. Government has already declared Hindi as the State language, it appears likely that the Constituent Assembly will also recognise Hindi as the national language and urge all concerned to see that the language used is truly national in the sense that it is easily intelligible to the nation.

The question of script is something more than a name. The Congress has long held the view that the Central Government should adopt both the Nagari and the Urdu script as State scripts. The Committee recently appointed by the Hindustani Prachar Sabha has published a representation made to the members of the Constituent Assembly urging the adoption of Devanagari "as its principal and Urdu as its second script". An appeal issued by 61 responsible Muslims of India supports this view and states: "Devanagari represents the largest common element of Indian scripts, and every Indian, whatever his mother-tongue, must know it". If this is the view of Muslims in general, it should be easy to make the teaching of the Nagari script compulsory in all the schools where Hindi or Hindustani is a compulsory subject. Thus in the course of ten years or earlier a very large section of the people will be acquainted with the Nagari script. It will be easy then to make it the only script of the Central Government and avoid the huge waste in the adoption of two scripts. If only to facilitate this result in ten years it will be expedient for the Central Government temporarily to adopt Urdu as its secondary script.

Durban Whitewashing

Two things had made it quite plain the the Commission appointed by Dr. Malan to inquire into the Durban anti-Indian riots was intended first and last as a whitewashing instrument so far as Europeans are concerned and to tar Indians with responsibility. The first thing was its all-White character. And the second was the Commission's own decision not to allow cross-examination of witnesses, a decision, which the Commission knew, would force Indians to boycott the inquiry, and make of it a one-sided investigation. A report which failed to do justice to Indians and to give an honest judicial finding on the issues involved was fully expected. Nobody in the world, and not India alone, was under any illusion in regard to the partisanship and partiality of the Commission or its report. But what it has produced goes beyond all expectations. The report is not a critical analysis even of the one-sided evidence that was led by it or of the issues raised but a zealous advocate's improvement on it all and on the thesis of the Whites. It is little wonder that Dr. Naidoo too is "amazed" by the achievement of the Commission. Indeed, in spirit and in detail the report furnishes footnotes and elaborations to the worst and most absurd propaganda arguments yet indulged in by Dr Malan at home and Mr. Louw abroad. It condemns itself by openly professing Malanism and overdoing. Who in the world can, for instance, swallow the cool suggestion that African natives are virtual supporters of the policy of segregation and Apartheid? Who in the world can possibly believe that the coloured peoples regard the complete mastery over them and their country of the Whites as an entirely satisfactory and acceptable blessing? Yet this in effect, is the plea of the Commission which has had the impertinence, further, to seek to correct the ignorance of the world about what is obviously a fundamental human principle. If the report has any value, it lies in the fact that it underlines the extent and significance of the inhuman programme of the Whites of South Africa.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

MUZAFFARPUR, April 17: Mr. M. S. Aney, Governor of Bihar, declined to take his dinner at a party arranged in his honour today and came away without taking food as the number of guests exceeded the prescribed number under the Guest Control Order.—A.P.I.

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In a message to the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind Conference, the Prime Minister of India says "In politics we must not function in future as Hindus or Muslims or Sikhs but as Indians."

No wonder the Gurujis and Masterjis of India do not like the leaders and the Government of India.

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"It is", says a United Press of India report from London, "understood that Lord Mountbatten will, at Pandit Nehru's own request, hold himself available for private consultations and social intercourse and entertain Pandit Nehru's close friends."

Which secret recess or recesses of their brains do they get these wonderful scoops from?

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NEW DELHI, report: Today's discussions, it is understood, did not break any new ground in respect of India's views regarding the status of the so-called "Azad Kashmir" territory and the demand for disbandment of the "Azad Kashmir forces" as Sir Girja was firm on these points.

We did suspect something complimentary to the U. N. Commission. Our tributes to our prophetic soul.

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Commenting on India's complaint of cease-fire violations, a Pakistan Military spokesman argues in rebuttal that if anything of the sort had happened, "Lt. Gen. Delvoie would have sent a protest to the Pakistan Army Command and Government. The fact that no such protest has been received at any time speaks for itself."

It does. It does speak for itself. Again, our tributes to our prophetic soul.

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The Durban Riots Inquiry Commission, appointed by the Malan Government, has found that there were Europeans, who actively incited the natives to violence against India, but was satisfied that such Europeans were rare exceptions.

The Commission has justified Dr. Malan's—and our own—complete confidence in it, and in a judicial way too.

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"To suggest" says the Commission, "that the authorities were to blame for failing to prevent the initial outbreak would be to reproach them with not having powers of divination."

No, no, no reproach for not having it. In fact, we credit the authorities with having had more powers than those of divination.

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And the Commission rules that "contrary to the opinion prevailing abroad the average native is a keen supporter of segregation."

In short, the natives are for "Apartheid."

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Tass, the official Soviet news agency stated today that it was authorised to deny as "absurd fabrications" reports that Russian planes recently flew over Persian and Iraqi territory—Moscow report.

We are relieved—for the time being.

INDIA MUST DEVELOP A PATENT SYSTEM

An Incentive To Creative Thinking: U. S. Sets A Model

(BY PATRIC HENRY HUME)

INDIA TODAY, EMERGING FROM COLONIAL EXPLOITATION INTO A STATE OF NATIONAL INTEGRITY AND INTERNATIONAL POWER, IS A COUNTRY OF VAST POTENTIAL WEALTH. AS SHAREHOLDERS IN A SOVEREIGN REPUBLIC, HER CITIZENS INDIVIDUALLY SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR EFFECTIVE UTILIZATION OF HER ENORMOUS RESOURCES.

LIKE INDIA, AMERICA ONLY RECENTLY PECKED THROUGH THE SHELL OF COLONIALISM TO EMERGE AS A WEAK LITTLE CHICK AMONG NATIONS, UNCERTAIN AND UNBEFRIENDED. THE RISE OF THE U.S.A. TO HER PRESENT POSITION AS THE WORLD'S GREATEST INDUSTRIAL POWER IS THE RESULT OF MANY THINGS—NATURAL RESOURCES, GEOPOLITICAL SITUATION, THE DIVERSE TALENTS AND VARIED HUMAN QUALITIES OF A HETEROGENEOUS CITIZENRY INTERACTING IN FRIENDLY RIVALRY, HOMOGENEOUS UNITY UNDER A DEMOCRATIC AND BENEVOLENT TYPE OF GOVERNMENT.

IMPETUS TO INDIVIDUAL AMBITION

America's greatness stems to a great degree, too, from the impetus given to individual ambitions by provisions of the federal Constitution. Among constitutional provisions which ennance the individual's worth to himself and to society is the one giving the U.S. legislature the power to grant him the exclusive enjoyment of his inventions and discoveries for a limited period. This is the fountainhead of authority for the U.S. patent system. Thanks to this institution the arts and sciences have been brought from the medieval possesaive fear of imitation into the sunlight of public usage and knowledge. Thanks to this patent system, creativeness can be freely expressed, with immediate recognition and often gain going to the individual—for the ultimate good of his country as a whole.

DELUGE OF IDEAS

This marvelous tool of government has been enthusiastically used. Through the U.S. patent system has come a deluge of ideas, products of original thinking or of adding to what had gone before. By now the patent office has issued a total of two and a half million patents concerning every conceivable human activity in every part of the world. These patents constitute the greatest body of technical literature ever amassed. Without the various aspects of our patent sytem, I cannot see how America could have reached anything approaching her present industrial and economic power.

What precisely is a patent? The word in the past and in some countries today, has various connotations, some of which are particularly interesting to read about in relation to the East India Company. In the U.S.A., today, the term refers to the grant which gives a patentee the right to exclude others from making, using or selling the patented invention for 17 years. The U.S. patent system is the simplest, most economical in the world—not only in applying for and obtaining a patent but in maintaining it during its 17-year life. Once the patent obtained, an invention can be safely commercialized within the U.S.A., the richest customs-free area and greatest single market in the present world.

HOW PATENT SYSTEM WORKS

The U.S.A. patent system is open to the people of India, as it is to anyone in the world except persons who are classed by the U.S.A. as enemy aliens. Its protection is given to Indians to exactly the same extent, for exactly the same cost, as it is to American citizens. The fees charged by the U.S.A. government are $30 (about Rs. 100) upon filing the application, and another $30 upon completion of examination and acceptance. If application is rejected, an appeal can be filed for a fee of $15 (Rs. 50). The fees expected by the attorney or agent vary considerably. (NOTE BY EDITOR OF WORLD IN BRIEF: I count about 280 patent attorneys and about 48 offices for patent development and marketing in the New York City telephone book. The science division of New York's reference library has excellent facilities in this line. In the matter of journals, I find listed: in Washington, D.C.-Journal of the Patent Office Society, Official Gazette, Patent News, in Carlstadt, New Jersey—Inventive Age & Patent Market; in New York City—Bulletin of the U.S. Trade Mark Assn. Patent and Trade Mark Review, Trade Mark Reporter, and "Patent Reporter" at 130 West 42 Street.)

Once the patent issues, there are no additional fees for its maintenance and no provisions for compulsory working or for compulsory licensing under the patent. Even if the patentee does not work the patented invention himself, he may prevent others from infringing it. There are no renewal fees, taxes, or assessments whatsoever through the 17 years of the patent's existence. The total amount paid in ordinary cases is thus $60 (Rs. 200) for 17 year protection. In India's patent system, the applicant first pays the Indian government an application fee of Rs. 30 and a sealing fee of Rs. 30. After the first four years of the life of the patent (which are free), the patentee must pay renewal fees of Rs. 50 for the second four year term, Rs. 100 for the third and Rs. 150 for the final 4-year term. This totals Rs. 1200 for protecting an invention in India for 16 years, as compared to Rs. 200 for 17 years of protection in the U.S.A.

POPULAR AMONG WORLD'S INVENTORS

Thanks to its cheapness and simplicity, the U.S. system is very popular among inventors in all lands. The number of patents granted per million population in U.S.A. is 374, while it is only 2 in India. 86.8 per cent of the total of patents taken out in U.S.A. annually are taken out by U.S.A. citizens. In India, only 10 per cent are granted to Indians and 90 per cent to foreigners. In 1946, of the 2,608 applications filed in the Indian patent office, 18 per cent were filled by U.S.A. nations.

India stands on the threshold of industrial expansion which can surpass in time the achievements of the U.S.A. provided her creative minds obtain the proper stimulus. The wealth of ideas that will develop as India solves her own special problems will benefit all lands. A cheap, simple patent system is a great encouragement of practical creative thinking as it promises rewards in measure with the thinker's contribution to society. While taking full advantage of his patent system, the creative Indian can profit from U.S.A. patents. Too, Indians can work out their ideas with the aid of the patent literature available to them in Washington. The U.S. Patent Office's reference library of technical and scientific information is the greatest of its kind in the world. Through sharing the benefits of their patent systems, India and the U.S.A. can work together for the welfare of their peoples.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Aland Tension

Sir,— Every year Rathotshave is celebrated in connection with Hanuman Jayanti. The Utsava Committee decided to allow the Harijans to participate in Bhajan Saptah in Hanuman temple which is conducted. Later the Utsava Committee did not allow the Harijans to participate in Bhajan Saptah according to the decision unanimously taken by the general Committee. So about 50 youths consisting of all communities resorted to fasting on 12th night in the temple premises.

About 2 a.m. the committee surrendered and Harijans took part in Bhajan Saptah. After an hour some of the prominent members and leaders necked out the Harijans while conducting Bhajan in the temple. They used lathis freely on Harijans and hunger-strikers which culminated in some persons (hunger-strokers) receiving serious wounds. The situation in the town is tense"—Yours, etc.,

President,
Taluka Congress Committee.
Aland.

Donations For The Blind

Sir,—Under Government Gazette Notification dated October, 21 1949, The Provincial Council of Blindness is the only body declared eligible for income tax free Donations under Income Tax Act 1922, sub-section (1) of section 15 (B), presumably on recommendation of the Government of Bombay.

This Body has no activity of its own, meets hardly once a year, nor does it allow any other working Institute to collect funds for the Blind under its auspices, with the result that, so far as the Blind in Bombay Province are concerned, this important concession is wasted and brings no money for Blind welfare.

Will the Provincial Council of Blindness or Government please enlighten the Public what funds if any are so far collected by them from this important source, and if not, why not?

In the face of the Blind Institutions in Bombay literally starving for lack of funds, the present strange policy is hard to understand.— Yours, etc.

—FRIEND OF THE BLIND.

Bombay Sales Tax

Sir,—According to the original provisions of Bombay Sales Tax Act, no Sales Tax was payable formerly on goods sent out from Bombay to places outside Bombay Presidency. By a recent amendment to that Act, all goods despatched to places outside Bombay Presidency will attract Sales Tax at rates equal to half the tax payable in Bombay.

This amendment has created a difficult situation not only to the manufacturers and traders in Bombay, but also to the trade channels and the public outside Bombay Presidency. Bombay is an industrial centre. Due to competition and difficulties of collection of Sales Tax, etc., it is quite possible that many manufacturers may decide not to collect the Tax on exports of their products from Bombay Presidency. Although the Bombay manufacturers may not collect the Tax from their customers in places outside Bombay Presidency, there is nothing to stand in the way of unscrupulous dealers in those places exploiting the situation, where supplies of particular goods are far below the demand, and collecting such tax from the Public. The Bombay authorities have no jurisdiction over people outside Bombay Presidency, and, naturally if such tax is collected, it will only go to fatten the pocket of the traders.

The Sales Tax was first introduced in Madras by Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar. Subsequently it was adopted by several provinces and states. There is no uniformity in the provisions followed by these provinces and states. The ultimate result is that a considerable revenue due to the Government, and which is collected by dealers from the consuming Public, is probably not going to the Government coffer at all.

It is, therefore, urgently necessary that the Central Government should give their immediate attention to this question. In Pakistan for example, there is a Central Sales Tax, applicable to all provinces and states. We should have a similar tax in India, and, if that is not possible, the Central Government should at least issue proper directives to the provinces and states, laying down certain uniform provisions, which will ensure that the revenue collected from this source goes to the Government and the Public will not be called upon to pay unnecessary levies.—Yours etc.

A. N. KRISHNAN

TEN-YEAR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR MADRAS

Proposals Submitted To Tamil Conference

THIRUVARUR, April 18, (API): A ten-year plan at an estimated cost of Rupees five hundred crorers for the economic development of Madras province was submitted yesterday to the Second Tamil Conference here by Dr. B. Natarajan, Economic Adviser to Madras Government. The plan, divided into two parts of five years each aims primarily at increasing food production and establishment of some basic industries.

The main features of the first five-year plan are rupees 25 crores for completion of the lower Bhavani and Tungabhadra projects, 150 crores for the Rampadasagar and Krishnapennar projects, 19 crores for smaller irrigation works and completion of the tank renovation scheme covering a target area of four lakh acres and planned application of chemical fertiliser. At the end of the first five-year plan the province is expected to produce sufficient foodgrains to provide a ration of 16 ounces thereby saving the expenditure on food subsidy.

Rupees 30 crores are provided for hydro-electric schemes and highway programme. In the sphere of social services introduction of compulsory elementary education, expansion of medical and public health services will cost Rs. 66 crores to be met completely from current revenues.

The highlights of the second five-year programme are completion of Rampadasagar and Krishnapennar projects at a cost of 125 crores, 40 crores for the establishment of an iron and steel industry in Salem and a lignite industry in South Arcot district which is reported to contain rich lignite deposits.

DR. KRISHNAN'S ADDRESS

Dr. K. S. Krishnan, noted Indian scientist, presiding over the scientific session of the Second Tamil Annual Festival Conference here during the week-end, said: "Given the same facilities for advancement of science, Indians would compete with anyone else in the world."

Dr. Krishnan said that some Westerners were under the erroneous impression that the people in Asia did not possess the necessary qualities to acquire scientific knowledge. The very fact that Ramanujam, an Indian mathematician, without any facilities did research in mathematics and received high encomiums from all over the world belied this. It would not be said that India in the past was not advanced in science. If India was not advanced how could it have been possible for some of the greatest engineering feats like the constructions of huge dams, tanks and towers, he asked. Construction of these showed clearly they were not backward in the past but during the last 400 or 500 years, for some reason or other, facilities were not available for advancement in science. But duing the last 20 or 30 years, facilities for research were available and if the same state of affair continued, in another 20 or 30 years India would compare favourably with advanced countries in the scientific field.

Earlier, Dr. T. S. S. Rajan, Food Minister of Madras, who inaugurated the Conference said Tamilnad had produced two eminent scientists, Sir C. V. Raman and Dr. K. S. Krishnan. He added world had made immense strides in science and India would have to make up the leeway. This could be done only by enabling people to acquire more scientific knowledge in their own mother tongue by publication of more and more scientific books in regional languages. But in pulivation of such books they should use only internationally accepted scientific terms and not new unfamiliar ones.

VOTERS TO ELECT MUNICIPAL CHAIRMAN

Madras Govt.'s New Proposal

MADRAS, April 18, (A.P.I.): The present system of electing chairmen to Municipalities by Municipal councillors in the province will be abolished shortly and the general body of voters of Municipalities will be given the right to elect them in future.

Revealing this at a public meeting at Dharapuram, Mr. K. Chandramouli Minister for Local Administration, declared that the powers of Municipal chairman would son be enlarged with a view to promoting the smooth working of Municipalities.

HINDI-URDU QUESTION

Avoid Giving Communal Colour, Says Pant

LUCKNOW, April 17 (API)—Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Premier of U.P. said here today that the Hindi-Urdu question should not be given a communal colour. There had been writers and poets in both languages, who belonged to different communities.

Pandit Pant, who was addressing the second day's session of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind, referred to the question of script and said that the Devanagari script was easier and could be followed by the majority of the people even in rural areas. Like language, script had nothing to do with religion.

Speaking of Hindi, the Premier said "what I mean by Hindi is the language which is spoken in this province and which includes a large number of Urdu and Persian words. Our language should be such as can be understood by the majority."

Pandit Pant made it clear that anyone who wished to study Hindi, Urdu, Persian or Arabic would have complete freedom to do so. Theirs was a secular democratic state, he said, and the fundamental rights of all communities would be safeguarded.

The Premier appealed for unity among various communities because a weak state cannot and patriotism are 'qua non' of making the country strong and prosperous."

Childless Couples To Have Only One Room

LONDON, (IPS): The Communist dominated Rumanian Government has signed a decree to the effect that all unoccupied houses be requisitioned for being rationed to the homeless, says a Bucharest report. The decree has also ruled that childless couples are entitled for only one room.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Greetings To Ireland

For Irishmen the formal coming into being at midnight on Sunday of the Republic of Ireland was a solemn event, which marked the closing of a long chapter; of centuries of slavery and oppression and of struggle for release from them. It is one of those black chapters in British history which should lead Englishmen, in the words of Mr. Winston Churchill to "a searching of hearts." The last phase of Ireland's struggle was particularly gruesome. And it is little wonder that on the day for which they fought and suffered so long and so much, Irishmen should have decided upon a symbolical commemoration of their fight and their sacrifices. And so it was that the Republican tricolour was hoisted at full mast over the building where Irish volunteers proclaimed the Republic in 1916 and defied the British forces. Heads of many governments including, it is pleasant to note, the King and the Prime Minister of Britain, have greeted the new Republic with good wishes for a prosperous future. There is particular significance in India's greetings because both have had, with certain characteristic differences, to labour along the same long trail to a similar destination. That is a special bond which binds India and Ireland in good friendliness. And it is in the spirit of that special friendliness that India salutes the Republic of Ireland and sincerely wishes it all good fortune.

United Scouts

The public will wholeheartedly approve of the attempts that are being made to unite the various scout associations in the country into one all-India Association. The unnecessary differences between the different old associations gave almost a political touch to their activities and prevented many schools from being affiliated to any of the associations. The position became worse when a number of volunteer organisations were started for purely political purposes and they brought a number of young students under their influence. If there is one Scout organisation for the whole country without any party political activities therein, it will be easy for a large number of students to join it and derive the many advantages of a well-organised movement. It will instil in young minds the idea of a united nation. And the vast international Scout Literature will also help an Indian senior Scout to develop a true international outlook.

Independent Judiciary

The Chief Justice of India, Sir Harilal J. Kania, has once again demanded that the principle of separation of the Judiciary from the Executive should be embodied in the new constitution. This sound principle has been recognised by the Congress from its earliest years. But now that we have a popular responsible Government, several Congress leaders have expressed the view that the non-separation of the Judiciary is not at all as harmful as it was under an irresponsible Executive. The evil is there still. With the best of intentions, the Executive may assume the role of the Judiciary too by controlling it. But it can never be a fit body to take a judicious view of cases involving political issues. A Government has often the power to make or change laws as it desires. If it presumes also to interpret its laws or apply them in all cases as it likes, it will result in a complete deterioration of the administration.

Democracy And Education

Addressing a press conference at Shillong, the Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, Mr. R. R. Diwakar said that with about 16 crores of people who would be enfranchised under the new constitution, India would rank as the biggest democracy in the world. Real democracy means much more than adult franchise, and the numerical strength of voters is not its only criterion. In India people have still to be educated, by every available means, to vote intelligently and to exercise the rights which democracy confers upon them. Mr. Diwakar remarked, in this connection, that the responsibility of educating voters in the basic principles of democracy and good citizenship rests on the Press and the Government's publicity organisation. As regards the media of publicity, he stressed the usefulness of the radio and film in view of the low percentage of literacy. Broadcasting is making steady headway. With the expansion of broadcasting facilities for listening ought to be augmented by installing receiving sets in an increasing number at suitable places.

Murder Will Out

"The teachers are responsible for receiving the milk quotas of their respective centres and to see that the quantity so received is distributed to the children unscrupulously."—Extract from a report obtained from the Medical Officer (Schools) of the Bombay Municipality which gives the present organisation of the Milk Supply Service to school children, as it is printed in the Parulekar Report. Which again has inspired our pet poet to plagiaristic verse:

Little drops of water
In the children's milk,
Make the teacher's daughter
Clothe herself in silk.

NEHRU COMMENDS GANDHIAN APPROACH TO LANGUAGE PROBLEM

Lays Foundation Stone Of Central Institute Of Education In Delhi

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API).—Education is not intended for passing examination and holding degrees as a passport for entry into Government Service, but for character building and development of personality," said Pandit Nehru, Prime Minister of India, here, this evening while laying the foundation stone of the Central Institute of Education in the Delhi University premises.

"Sometimes," said Pandit Nehru, "doubts assail me whether the type of education or the products of Education one sees is really good. In fact sometimes it is definitely bad. That, of course, does not mean that education is bad but it does not mean that something has gone wrong in the process of education and that has to be put right."

WHY IMPORTANCE FOR EXAMINATIONS?

"In India, unfortunately, an amazing importance is attached to passing examinations and getting degrees, probably because in the past the avenues open to young men in India were very limited and the passport to Government service was a degree. Thus University degrees became more and more important here than anywhere else in the world. The object was not to train one's mind or to make one more capable or efficient but just to get a degree somehow by hook or crook.

"The other day when a very distinguished person, a member of the Government, visited a University, a request was made on behalf of the students of that University that to celebrate the visit, more people should be passed than usual (laughter). This is a very extraordinary state of affairs. A holiday is declared in honour of such a visit but to pass students who have failed will be very extraordinary.

LANGUAGE PROBLEM.

Referring to the language problem, Pandit Nehru said, "there is excitement here and excited speeches are delivered occasionally as to whether the National Language should be Hindi or Hindustani. Urdu is hardly referred to and has dropped out of the race. This language question is eminently a question which people, wise in languages and wise in other things should determine. There is no essential difference in this matter. It is a question of content, name, some emphasis this way or that way. I do not myself understand how a language can be made by a statute or legislation. It may be encouraged, of course, by an educational process but living languages grow from the people, not from small literary coteries but from the common people as well as from the educated people at the top.

"I would personally hate to confine a language in a straight jacket. Apart from that, much can be said on both sides in this argument that is taking place but what distresses me is the way the argument is carried on, the narrow-minded way in which people talk and discuss and try to force their views down the throats of others who do not agree with them.

MISFORTUNE OF HINDI.

"Everybody knows that obviously, Hindi is the most powerful language of India. Nobody can challenge its place in India but it is the misfortune of Hindi that it has collected round it some advocates who continually do tremendous injury to its cause by advocating it in a wrong way. It is extraordinary how some of the advocates of Hindi have succeeded often enough in prejudicing Hindi in the eyes of others, some people because they have proceeded in the wrong way and some people because they have shown how narrow-minded they are, how it is not that they love Hindi so much, but they hate other things. Hatred is not a constructive force or a force that should come into play in such a question.

NEGATIVE APPROACH

"Their approach is a negative approach. Hindi is bound to grow and take a dominant place in India. Let us build it, but they go further and deny this language or that language or deny a certain content to that language, Hindustani or Hindi whatever you call it. That is not the right approach. It is a bad approach and it seems to me somehow to reflect that narrow minded mentality out of which Communalism has grown in this country. If we bring in that narrow-minded or communal approach, it does harm to our mental outlook.

"Some of us in the last 30 years or more grew up under the Gandhian tradition. I do not suppose we lived up to it. We were rather feeble and we often strayed from the right path. Nevertheless, we were powerfully influenced by it and it is rather painful and distressing to see now people shouting out the name of Gandhi quite casually and without any serious thought of things which Gandhiji certainly opposed all his life and which are contrary to all that he said.

GANDHIAN WAY

"Even in this question of language, very wisely Gandhiji showed us a way which was deeply rooted in the mind of the people, as all his things were. He was a man of the people. He could not think in terms of a few erudite people sitting at the top or some literary academies.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, education minister, said that the Central Institute, which was opened in December 1947 would train teachers both for higher and secondary schools and would also carry on research into the problems of basic and secondary education. There were also problems relating to adult education which demanded fresh and careful scrutiny.

Among those who saw the Prime Minister lay the foundation stone were Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, Minister of Industry and Supply, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Health Minister, members of the Diplomatic Corps, Sir Maurice Gwyer, vice-Chancellor, Delhi University, and distinguished educationists.

The inscription on the foundation stone was in English and in Hindustani in the Devnagari script. Pandit Nehru first spoke in Hindustani but later spoke in English.

Soldiers Clash With Armed Civilians

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA, April 17, (U. P. A.): The Government announced today that soldiers clashed with some 200 armed civilians in a bloody battle a few miles north-east of here.

The clash occurred on the outskirts of a village in Boyaca province which had been sacked and burned by raiders before the army intervened.

First reports reaching here indicated that 30 to 40 persons may have been killed in the encounter although an official announcement from Tunja, the provincial capital, said only one soldier was killed and several soldiers and civilians were injured.

Houses and plantations in the village of Chita, inhabited mainly by members of the Conservative Party, were burned in the attack.

The fighting at Chita was put down by an army detachment after the raiders split into small groups and fought from behind trees and bushes in forest land near the village. The soldiers had to hunt down the raiders almost individually.

President Mariano Ospina Perez telegraphed orders from Medellin, the mountain city where he is spending Easter, to the War Ministry demanding the immediate capture and punishment of the raiders "to make an example of them."

The Chita incident was the most serious of a number of clashes that have flared throughout the country as the nine-day "political truce" ended.

Several persons were slightly injured in the western town of Cupacabana when Liberals and Conservatives clashed in a street fight.

An army lieutenant was killed and several others injured when bandits attacked a military detachment guarding a liquor store in the port of Berrio in the Pacific Coast province of Antioquia.

In Santander del Norte Province, north of here an army corporal was killed and another injured by an unidentified individual who shot them without apparent provocation.

In the village of Salazar, also in the Santander del Norte, a group of extremists invaded one pulpit of the local church during services and began an anti-religious demonstration. The priest was forced to call off the service and close the church.

A truce banning political disorders between April 8 and April 17 was decreed by Ospina Perez in an effort to prevent demonstrations on or about April 9, the first anniversary of the assassination of left Wing Liberal leader Jorge Eliecer Gaitan. The killing of Gaitan by a youth who was lynched on the spot touched off a wave of bloody riots throughout the country. Hundreds of persons were killed and the central portion of Bogota was gutted by mobs of looters.

FOCUS OF MOUNTING PUBLIC INTEREST

LONDON, April 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): India was the focus of mounting public interest here tonight as Britain awaited the arrival of Commonwealth Prime Ministers for an historic conference which, within a week, may vitally change the concept of Commonwealth relations.

The task of the Commonwealth statesmen—who will open their talks on Thursday—is to seek means that may enable India, she becomes a democratic Republic, to continue her co-operation with their countries.

Importance attached to the outcome of the talks is reflected in the decision of almost all the leading Commonwealth Prime Ministers to attend the Conference in person.

Seamen Attacked

Montreal, April 18. (PTI-Reuter) Twenty seamen about to said for Britain to man the six thousand ton Canadian Pacific railway ship "Princess Patricia were attacked by a score of unidentified men early yesterday while they slept aboard the Canadian Pacific cargo liner beaverburn in harbour here

The men attacked Canadian Pacific employees and members of the railway workers union before boarding the vessel and precipitating a battle which lasted twenty minutes. Several seamen were given hospital treatment and were discharged in time to sail on the 9875 ton beaverburn.

The clash was the most serious of several which have occurred since the Canadian Seamens Union called a strike two weeks ago after Canadian shipowners signed an agreement with the rival seafarers international union.

CEYLON'S PREMIER'S FAITH IN NEHRU'S GOODWILL

KARACHI, April 18 (UPI).—The Ceylonese Premier, Mr. Senanayake, today contradicted an agency message from Colombo (not U.P.I.) stating that he expressed "apprehension regarding the long term policy of Indian expansion, involving Ceylon. He said emphatically that he had complete faith in Pandit Nehru's goodwill and sincerity for Ceylon, and that the Island Dominion entertained no fears whatsoever from India. Ceylon and India must always be good neighbours, he added.

U.S. TROOPS MOVE TOWARD CZECH FRONTIER

FRANKFURT, April 18 (UPA).—Seventy-thousand United States troops moved toward the Czechoslovak frontier today in the largest war games in Europe since the war. The manoeuvres will last one week.

DINSHAW-DUBASH WEDDING

Nadir Dinshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dinshaw of Karachi and Miss Hilla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Dubash who were married in Bombay.

Irishmen Celebrate Birth Of Republic

THOUSANDS THRONG STREETS IN JOY

DUBLIN, April 18 (PTI-Reuter)—Hundreds of thousands of people here were today celebrating with public rejoicing the birth of the Independent Republic of Eire, severing centuries-old links with the British Crown.

As the last stroke of midnight boomed out, ushering in the thirty-third anniversary of the 1916 Easter Monday rising in Dublin, a 21-gun salute fired from O'Connell bridge announced that the Republic of Ireland Act had come into force. The crackle of rifle shots, from a detachment of troops firing a "feu de joie" and the pealing of church bells blended with the cheers of crowds which thronged the streets.

Church services throughout the 26 counties opened the programme for today. Later, President Sean O'Kelly was taking the salute at a great military parade through Dublin.

Though Mr. Eamon de Valera's Fianna, Fail Party is boycotting the celebrations, for days the city has been filling up with visitors from all parts of the country, together with holiday makers from England and the United States. Congratulatory messages addressed to the President have been pouring into the capital of the new republic from all parts of the world.

Eire's Good Wishes For India

DUBLIN, April 18. (PTI-Reuter): Mr. John Costello, Prime Minister of the New Republic of Ireland, was asked at a press conference to-day if Eire was in sympathy with the Republican Aspirations of India.

"Certainly", Mr. Costello replied. Eire, he added, wished India well in her new freedom.

Question Of Italian Colonies

Three Sets Of Proposals Before Political Committee

LAKE SUCCESS, April 18 (PTI-Reuter)—The United Nations Political Committee will again take up the question of the former Italian colonies this afternoon, when the Arab delegations are likely to express their views.

The Egyptian Foreign Minister, Khashaba Pasha, is expected to lead off with a strong appeal to the United Nations not to restore Italian administration in Africa at any price.

There are now three sets of proposals before the United Nations.

1. Anglo-American Plan: British trusteeship over Cyrenaica: Italian trusteeship Somaliland; annexation of the part if Eritrea by Ethiopia; future of Tripolitania and the Western province of Eritrea undecided.

2. Latin-American Plan: Italian trusteeship over Somaliland, Tripolitania and part of Eritrea: access to the sea for Ethiopia through part of Eritrea; possible British trusteeship over Cyrenaica.

3. Soviet Plan: Ten-year United Nations trusteeship over all the colonies, each one to be controlled by a United Nations Administrator with a multi-nation Advisory Council, including the Soviet Union and Italy as well as local representatives; independence for Libya at the end of the ten years.

Arab spokesmen have indicated informally that, so far, they prefer the Soviet proposals to any other. They are strongly in support of any plan which will preserve the unity of Libya and offer the possibility of eventual independence.

TORRENTIAL RAINS IN CEYLON

COLOMBO April 18. (PTI-Reuter): Torrential rains during the Easter weekend swamped parts of Ceylon and disorganised train services.

In Colombo roads were flooded, several houses collapsed and parts of the city were temporarily without electric power or telephone services.

The rains did not penetrate the island's interior however, and the likelihood of big rivers flooding was remote.

SOVIET ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS.

MOSCOW—Drinking horns belonging to the Parthian kings—who once ruled a mighty empire in the years 250 B.C. to 226 A.D.-were among discoveries made by Soviet archaeologists South-west of Ashkhabad in Turkmenila, the official Soviet News Agency Tass has reported.

The lower part of the horns were covered with images of griffins and centaurs. The upper edge carried a frieze showing entire scenes. The objects have been sent to Leningrad and Tashkent for detailed study.

Parthia was a country of ancient Asia which lay South-east of the Caspian and was part of the old Persian empire. About 250 B.C. it became an independent kingdom and during succeeding centuries increased in size and importance and became the Parthian empire, stretching at its greatest from the Euphrates to beyond the Indus. In 226 A.D. Parthia was again absorbed in the Persian empire.—P.T.I.-Reuter.

TAX INVESTIGATION COMMISSION

BOMBAY, April 18 (UPI).—The Income-tax Investigation Commission appointed by the Government of India to investigate and report any 'prima facie' cases of tax evasion, arrived in the city yesterday. The members of the Commission are Mr. Shrinivas Varadachari (President), Mr. P. B. Chakraverti and Mr. V. D. Mazumdar.

NEW DELHI, April 18 (A.P.I.): A Defence Science Congress will be held here between April 20 and 22 under the auspices of the Ministry of Defence. Scientists from Delhi and other parts of India will attend the conference.

A number of lectures will be delivered and papers will be read on scientific matters in relation to problems of Defence.

Stop Press

SAVING FACE OF S. AFRICAN GOVERNMENT & EUROPEAN COMMUNITY?

Riot Commission Report Incomplete & Failed To Bring Out Real Causes, Says Cachalia

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API). Mr. I. A. Cachalia, representative of the South African Indian Congress, in a statement here today said that the report of the South African Government Commission on the recent Durban riots was "incomplete" and failed to bring out the real causes of the riots. He added that very few representative Africans gave evidence before the Commission.

Mr. Cahalia said that the Commission had tried to exonerate the police and the authorities of all blame, and in a way tried to save the face of the South African Press and the European Community. "But the facts are," he said "that it was the South African Press which started a campaign of hostile propaganda against Indians, inciting Africans thereby against Indians".

The whole policy of the Government, he added, was based on "Apartheid" which applied equally to Indians and Africans.

Referring to the warning of the Commission to Indians that another attack might be made by Africans to "square up accounts". Mr. Cachalia said that it was all the more reason that proper steps should be taken to prevent any recrudescence of rioting.

"The Africans have to square up accounts, "he added, "with the Government which has been exploiting them all these years and is now bent upon burdening them with all sorts of humiliations. The Africans are one with Indians opposing the "Apartheid" policy of the Malan Government. The Government are only trying to divide Africans and Indians to gain their own reactionary ends by implying that the grievances of the Africans, which are many, are not due to Government's racial policies but to the presence of Indians in South Africa".

"The insinuation that developments in India, Pakistan and Asia have made them feel differently", Mr. Cachalia declared,", is completely wrong and it is surprising that the Commission has not referred even once to the racial and near fascist policies followed by the South African Government".

ZAFRULLAH'S PROPOSALS

U. N. Trusteeship Over Former Italian Colonies

LAKE SUCCESS, April 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): A short term United Nations trusteeship over the former Italian colonies in Libya and Somaliland, on the lines of the Soviet plan, was proposed to the Political Committee today by Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, Chief Pakistan Delegate.

Main outlines of Sir Mohammed's proposals, which diplomatic observers believed represent general Arab opinion were: "1. Preserve the unity of Cyrenaica, Tripolitania and Fezzan under a five-year United Nations Trusteeship, after which the whole of Libya would gain independence.

Suhrawardy's Charges Against Muslim League

KARACHI, April 18, (PTI-Reuter): Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, former Premier of United Bengal has charged the Muslim League leadership in Pakistan with sowing "seeds of disruption."

In a statement Mr. Suhrawardy says: "The Muslim League as a hand maid of the Government ceases to be a galvanising force, the nations enthusiasm is exploited for personal ends and great ideals are reduced to petty slogans.

"We thus have despair and demoralisation at the base and intrigues at the top." Mr. Suhrawarday adds. "It is now clear that the present structure and tendencies of the League are among factors responsible for provincialism and opportunism."

Mr. Suhrawardy says that those who pleaded in the past for making the Muslim League a mass organisation are today being classed as disruptors. But he adds "the actual seeds of disruption have been sown by those who had not had the courage to trust the masses and open the doors of the League wide and large for all to find expression within its portals."

PATENTS ENQUIRY COMMITTEE MEETS

NEW DELHI, April 18.

The Patents Enquiry Committee held its third meeting on Saturday April 16, under the chairmanship of Dr. Bakshi Tek Chand. Among those present were Shri Gurmath Bewoor, Mr. N. Barwell, Mr. S. P. Sen, Dr. S. D Mohant, and Mr. K. Rama Pai.

The Committee considered the report of a small sub-committee on the desirability of including elementary patent law in some part of university curricula and also the report of Mr. K. Rama Pai, the official secretary, on his recent tour in Bengal Bombay, Madras, Trivandrum, Cochin, Bangalore, Mysore and Hyderabad during which he was able to have unofficial contacts with institutions and individuals to whom the general questionnaire had gone out.

The Committee then took up the remaining parts of the agenda and resolved that it would submit an interim report to Government. The interim report would make specific recommendations with regard to the desirability and feasibility of enacting of a short amending statute to provide further and better safeguards against 'abuse' of patent protection than are to be found in the existing statute.

The Committee also discussed the questions of patent rights in commodities which in their nature belonged to the categories of food and/or medicine. It was decided to begin the framing of the interim report forthwith.

EFFORTS FOR PEACE IN CHINA

NANKING, April 18 (PTI-Reuter): Chinese Nationalist Government leaders today regard the 24-point "peace programme," acceptance of which the Communist have demanded by Wednesday, as a peace agreement in its present form, a source close to the Government said here today.

The Government will do its best to achieve a compromise on the programme, the source added.

The programme brought here on Saturday by Huang Shaon-Siung, Government delegate to the Peiping peace talks, was described by the Communist radio as containing the opinions of both Government and Communist delegations and ten non-Communist groups.

The Nationalist-controlled radio said here last night that the Communists were demanding permission to cross the Yangtse at ten points which are believed to include every important city from Hankow to the rivers mouth.

One source here said any answer the Government decided on would have to be approved by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, now living in temporary retirement.

Peace delegate Huang, who is reported to be suffering from high blood pressure following his negotiations with the Communists, may be unable to take the Government's answer back to Peiping.

SARAT BOSE'S MESSAGE TO IRELAND

CALCUTTA, April 18, (API): Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose has expressed the hope in a telegram to the President of the Irish Republic that "Republican Ireland and Republican India will jointly work for world peace."

He has also offered the Government and the people of Ireland warmest felicitations on the occasion of the birth of the Republic, on behalf of the Socialist Republican Party of India.

Mr. Bose is Founder-President of the

The Oliviers—In Wax

LONDON, (By Cable).

Sir Laurence and Lady Olivier (Vivien Leigh) are to be modelled in wax and shown together in Madame Tussaud's famous waxwork exhibition in London.

Over 30 photographs were taken of their heads and each had to select a pair of eyes to match their own. Their heads will be modelled by Jane Jackson who has made likenesses of, among others, President Auriol of France, General Slim, Marshal Tito and Greer Garson. The models take three months to complete.—L. P. S.

FERTILISER FACTORY AT BHADRAVATI

BANGALORE, April 18 (A.P.I.): The Government of Mysore has concluded an agreement with the Chemical Construction Company of New York for the erection of a 500,000-ton fertiliser factory at Bhadravati. This factory will cost the Government two and half crores of rupees and will manufacture 25,000 tons of ammonium sulphate per annum. The plant is expected to go into production in about two years.

"RED" CLAIMS FOR WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE

PARIS, April 18 (UPA).—Sponsors of the Communist-organized World Peace Conference claimed today that 2,000 delegates representing 580,000,000 persons in 53 countries would be on hand when the conference opens on Wednesday.

A view of the 'Peace Rally' held at Chowpatty on Saturday under the auspices of the B.P.T.U.C.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVT. HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, April 18 (API).—Rani Maharaj Singh attended a performance at the Podar College, Matunga, in aid of the Gujarat Relief Fund. She was received by the principal Prof. L. N. Welingkar.

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MR. MORARJI DESAI

Mr. Morarji Desai, Minister for Home and Revenue, will leave Bombay for Kolhapur, by plane, on Thursday, April 21 and return on Saturday, April 23, also by plane.

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MR. N. V. GADGIL

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API).—Mr. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, will leave for Bombay by air tomorrow on a tour of Bombay Province.

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MR. L. M. PATIL

Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction, will leave Bombay for Poona on Thursday, April 21, and return the next day.

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MR. DINKERRAO DESAI

Mr. Dinkerrao N. Desai, Minister for Law and Civil Supplies, will leave Bombay for Anand on Wednesday, April 20. He will inspect the scarcity areas of Cambay and visit Samarkha, Ajarpura and Borsad.

The Minister will return to Bombay on Saturday, April 23.

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DR. RAJENDRA PRASAD

HUBLI, April 18 (API).—Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President of the Indian Constituent Assembly, will inaugurate the Karnataka Congress Seva Dal rally to be held on April 27 and 28 at Bagalkot (Bijapur District). Mr. N. S. Hardikar, Founder of the Hindusthan Seva Dal and organiser of the Congress Seva Dal in India, will preside at the rally.

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SIR ROBERT HUTCHINGS

BOMBAY, Monday.—Two visitors well-known in India, Sir Robert and Lady Hutchings arrived in Bombay on Sunday. Sir Robert, who is on a business trip is now a Director of the Glaxo Laboratories Ltd., England, and of their Associates, H. J. Foster & Co., Ltd., Bombay.

Sir Robert was formerly a Member of the I.C.S. and a prominent member of the Delhi Flying Club. As the Agent to the Government of India in Burma in 1942, Sir Robert played a major part in organising the movement of refugees overland into India at the time when the Japanese invaded Burma. Later on, he was appointed Secretary to the Food Department, Government of India and subsequently a Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council in the Caretaker Government of 1947.

B.C. ROY FLIES TO CALCUTTA

BANGALORE, April 18 (API).—Dr. B. C. Roy, Premier of West Bengal, who was on a short holiday in Mysore, left here this morning for Calcutta by plane.

During his stay he visited the Hindustan Aircraft factory and spent a day in the Brindavan Gardens in Mysore.

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MAHARAJA OF TRAVANCORE

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API). The Maharaja of Travancore left today for Trivandrum. It is learnt that talks on his status when Travancore and Cochin are integrated were inconclusive and will be resumed in Travancore.

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DR. B. V. KESKAR

GAUHATI, April 18 (API): Dr. B. V. Keskar, Deputy Minister for External Affairs, left Gauhati by plane for Calcutta this afternoon.

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MR. M. S. RAO

PATNA, April 18 (API): Mr. M. S. Rao, I.C.S. Commissioner in Chota-Nagpur Division has been renominated by the Government of India to be a member of the Government Body of the Indian Lac Cess Committee.

Mr. Rao will represent the interests of the cultivators of Lac in Bihar.

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AIR VICE-MARSHAL MUKHERJEE

NEW DELHI, April 18 (API): Air Vice-Marshal S. Mukerjee, Officiating Chief of the Air Staff and Commander-in-Chief, Royal Indian Air Force, is proceeding to the United States of America on April 19. He is expected to join the Indian Defence Delegation, headed by Mr. H. M. Patel, in Washington by the end of this week.

Air Commodore A. M. Engineer, Air Office Commanding No: 1 Operational Group, RIAF, will officiate in the place of A. V. M. Mukerjee.

TRANSJORDAN-EGYPT SETTLEMENT

CAIRO, April 17, (PTI-Reuter): Egypt's Minister of Communications, Dessouki Abaza Pasha, said after a Cabinet meeting tonight that "full settlement of all outstanding questions between Egypt and Transjordan has been reached."

Two envoys from Transjordan arrived in Cairo last Monday and were expected to make contact with the Egyptian Government and the Arab League. They were Tewfik Abdul Huda Pasha, the Prime Minister, and Defence Minister Fawzi El Ulki Pasha.

Snake Identification Service

LONDON, (By Cable).

The Coryndon Museum, Nairobi, now offers a snake identification service to all British East African territories.

The Museum is willing not only to identify any snakes sent to it and to say whether they are venomous but also to give advice on methods of reducing the snake population. In addition, instructions on first-aid treatment for snake-bite will be given.

The Curator of the Museum is Dr. L. S. Leakey, an authority on the pre-history of East Africa. His wife recently discovered a skull estimated to be at least 20,000,000 years old.—L. P. S.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

Tata Steel Shares Reach New Low Levels On Persistent Selling

BOMBAY, April 18.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was easy today on persistent selling in Tata Steel Defd. shares which reached a new low level. As pointed out before the market sentiment continues bearish and there is utter absence of any support. On one side steel shares are being offered freely while cotton mill shares remain relatively steady. In Steel shares, from an overbought state the market is adjusting but in this process it seems that the market is becoming liquidated and some short interest is created. The present decline may continue further but short sales are likely to prove risky at present prices as the market has now declined about Rs. 400 for Steel Defd. shares.

Today the market opened easy at Rs. 1,335 for Tata Steel Defds. and declined at Rs. 1,310 on persistent selling. At this level there appeared scattered short covering and Defds. rallied at Rs. 1,320 but quietened at Rs. 1,315. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 269 and declined at Rs. 267.

Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 940 and after declining at Rs. 930 improved at Rs. 935. Kohinoors were done at Rs. 280 and Svadeshi shares were quoted at Rs. 290. Scindia shares were quiet at Rs. 15-3.

Later on the market was quiet with mixed business Tata Steel Defds. were done at Rs. 1295 and ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 263-8. Indian Irons were placed at Rs. 22-6 while Bengal Steels were quoted at Rs. 18-8. Bombay Dyeings changed hands at Rs. 931-4 and Central Indias were placed at Rs. 240. Kohinoors stood at Rs. 278-12. Simplex and Svadeshi shares were quoted at Rs. 173 and Rs. 292-8 respectively. Associated Cements declined at Rs. 136-4 and Bellapurs were done at Rs. 217-8. Bombay Burmas were quoted at Rs. 275-10. Closing tone of the market was easy.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	931	4
Kohinoor Mill (4-2)	277	0
Svadeshi Mills (1-4)	291	0
Central India Mills (4)	238	0
Simplex Mills (3)	173	0
New Great Eastern (8)	159	0
Indore (9 plus 3)	147	8
Gokak Mills (12) XD	270	8
Century Spinning (15)	251	4
Colaba (12)	150	0
India Bleaching (6)	152	8
Swan Mills (20)	318	0
Finlay Mills (15)	271	0
Morarji Gokuldas	455	0
Edward Sassoon (30)	215	0
Meyer (12)	111	4
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 15	6
India United Defd. (0-12-0)	10	12
Indian United Ord. (0-2-6)	1 7	6
Madhusudan Mill (15)	180	0
Podar (8)	138	12
Khatau Makanji (5)	196	12
Indore Coupon	83	0
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord. (4)	263	8
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1295	0
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	139	0
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (6) 8	136	0
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8)	275	10
Belapur Sugar (9)	207	0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	27	0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	15	0
Premier Construction	105	0
Tata Chemical	10	8
Tata Oil (2)	56	8
Indian Iron (0-12)	21	14
Bengal Steel 0-8-0)	18	2
British India Corp. (0-8)	7	13
I. Copper	2 1	6
Wimco	176	4
Alcock	253	12
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Power (25)	1507	8
Andhra Valley (30)	1400	0
Tata Hydro (3)	149	8

Pachora Jamner Rly. (2-8)	120	4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES		
Steamer (10)	260	0
Bombay Burma New (5)	103	12
Burma Petrol	1	5
Mackenzie (6)	70	0
Port Canning (3)	68	8
Kemp and Co. (30)	415	0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150	0
Industrial Invest Trust (3-12)	93	12
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	39	0
Mukund Iron	10	0
Dena Trust (0-12)	18	0
Alembic (15)	197	8
Supreme India X.R.	.	.
Jam Wire (6)	67	4
Bombay Uganda	60	8
Bombay Motor Cycle	30	0
Indian Cement (1937)	18	0
Walchand Nagar Industries (P.S.)	148	12
Associated Cement New (3)	133	8
United Motor	32	0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880	0
Hydary Construction	19	10
Mahmadi Steam	96	0
Gujarat Motor	20	0
Sardar Carbolic X.D.	700	0
Harvey Press	310	0
Estrela Batteries	51	0
Manmad Press	120	0
PREFERENCE SHARES		
Tata Steel 1st (6)	191	14
Andhra Valley (7)	1912	8
Tata Power (7-8)	1295	0
Hydro Electric (7)	125	10
Bombay Steamer (6)	308	4
Central India (5)	625	0
Swadeshi Mills	126	4
Vishnu Mills (7)	640	0
Lakshmi Mills	275	0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227	8
Podar Mills (4)	108	0
Shrinivas Mills	98	0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	116	4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	310	0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	145	0
Premier Construction 1st (61-4)	118	0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	102	0
Amalgamated (5-8)	122	2
Habib	77	0
Tata Chemical (5)	125	0
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	130	0
Jupiter General	19	14
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	121	4
Mackenzie 1st	85	0
Mackenzie 2nd	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	132	8
Mysore Mills	50	0
Standard Mills	101	0
Madhusudan Mills	12	0
Khatau Mills	102	8
Morarji	106	0
DEBENTURES		
Andhra 1952 (4)	103	8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	101	10
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	101	0
Walchand Nagar (6)	105	0
Tata Power 1951	103	9
OUTSIDE SHARES		
Burma Corporation	2	6
New Victoria Mill	2	4
New Victoria Mills (Pref)	4	14
Phalton Sugar (8) X.D.	105	0
Gold Mohur (20)	312	8
New Kaiser-Hind	360	0
Sajjan Mills (20)	160	0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	280	0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	275	0
Air Service XR	7	0
Air India	94	0
Hind Motor	4	2
Indian Steam	7	0

CASH SECTION

CO MILLS

Elphinstone Mills (5)	65	0
Phonix	197	8
Indian Mfg.	4150	0
Kurla	120	0
New City	180	0
Minerva (12)	128	12
Bradbury	460	0
Bharat Mills (2)	31	0
Bharucha Defd. (0-6)	4	12
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	172	8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	14	8
Model Mills (12-8)	185	10
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	580	0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	201	4
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	9	12
Western India ((40)	4870	0
Standard (15)	725	0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3300	0
Hindustan Mills (40)	4225	0
Tata Mills (2-4)	50	0
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	260	0
Ahmedabad Advance New	195	0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77	8
New Union Mills (0-8)	9	0
Madhusudan B (2-8)	35	0
Srinivas Mills (8)	160	0
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	78	12
Berar Mills	281	4
Victoria Mills	225	0
Great New	156	0
ELECTRICS (CASH)		
Ahmedabad Electric (4-8)	120	0
Ahmedabad New	44	0
Surat Electricity (2-8)	145	0
Karachi Electric (3)	131	4
Broach (0-6)	10	10
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 6	8
Amalgamated (0-12)	12-8	
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	38	8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	146	4
Bombay Suburban (3)	162	8
Bombay Suburban new (2)	152	8
BANK SHARES		
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1862	8
Imperial Bank of India P.P (8-12)	446	4
Central Bank	81	0
Central Bank New (1-8)	81	0
Bank of India (4) XD	186	0
Union (0-)	7	8
Bank of Baroda (2-8) XD	130	0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	40	0
United Commercial (1-8)	53	0
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	36	8
Hindustan Commercial	36	12
Mysore Bank (8)	305	0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	22	0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	105	0
INSURANCE		
Oriental (125)	5100	0
Empire (10)	625	0
New India (1|8)	57	0
Jupiter (1-4)	16	0
Vulcan (0-10)	11	14
Indian Mercantile (2)	30	0
Universal (0-4)	11	4
B. I. G (1)	19	12
Industrial and Prudential	29	8
Neptune	6	2
New Great	35	0
All India General	15	10
RAILWAY SHARES		
C.P. (1-14)	111	0

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, April 18.

MILLS

Apollo 3 2/15/6
B. Dyeing 942/8 43/12 37/8 30 35 31/4
C India 242 38
Colaba 150
B. Textiles 215
Elphinstone 60
Elphinstone Pref. 116/4
Finlay 273 71
Gokak 272/8 70/8 71 70/8
I. U. Defd. 1/8/6 1/7/9
I. U. Ord. 10/13 10/12 10/13 6 10/12
Indore 150 45 47/8
Kohinoor 281/8 80 82 77/8 78/12 77
Laxmi 585 80
Madhusudan 180
Meyer 111/4
Model 185 85/10
Minerva 118/12
Morarji 455
New Great 150
Phoenix 197/8
Podar 138/12
Simplex 173 72 73
Svadeshi 292 93 91 92 91/8 92 91
Swan 318
Tata Mills 50
Vishnu 201/4
G. P. Rly. 111
B. Steam 260
Scindia 15/5 15/3/6 15/7 15 15 0/6 15
Baroda 130 29
Central 82/4 80/4 81
Central New 81
Imperial Old 1870 62/8 65 60 62/8
Imperial New 445 42/8 46/4
India 185 86
Union 7/8
U. Commercial 53/8 53
Ahmedabad 120/1020
Andera Valley 1400 1397/8 1400
Surat 145
Hydro 149/8 48/8 49/8
Hydro Pref. 125/10 25
Power 1515 7/8 12/8 7/8
Power Pref. 1295

INSURANCE

B. I. G. 19/12
New India 58/8 56/12 57

STEEL

B. Steel 18/12 18/2
I Iron 22/8 22/6 22/8 21/14
Tata Defd. 1330 20 35 7/8 22/8 2 8 10 1295 1303/12 1295
Tata Ord. 269 67 69/8 66/8 67 64 64/8 63/8
Tata 2nd Pref. 138/12 39/8 39

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 257/8 53/12
A. C. C. Old 138 35 36/4 36
A. C. C. New 132/4 33 32
Belapur 213 6 7/8 6 7/8 7
B. B. Old 276 14 75/10 76/4 75/10
B. B. New 103/12
B. B. Petrol 1/5/6 1/5
B. I. C. 7/13
I. Copper 2/1/6
Port Canning 68/8
P. Const. 111 5 7 5
P. Const. 2nd Pref. 102
Shivrajpur 27
Tata Chem. 11/4 10 8 10/9 10/8
Tata Oil 60/8 58/8
Wimco 185 76/4

SPECIAL

Ahmedabad Elec. New 44
Vishnu Pref. 640

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, April 18.

There was no forward business today in the local cotton market as prices ruling were above the ceiling level.

In the meantime, traders are awaiting announcement of Government policy for the coming season.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, April 18.

The produce market was very steady today with moderate buying Castorseeds September delivery opened at Rs. 137-2 and advanced at Rs. 137-8.

Later on there was increased selling and Castorseeds September declined at Rs. 136-11. Groundnuts and linseed sections were also steady. Quotations were as under:

GROUNDNUTS—			
Khandesh quality	39	6	0
Coromandal	38	12	0
Bold Ready	38		
Bold April-May	38	1	6
Bold June-July	38	11	0
CASTORSEEDS—			
Ready	27	4	0
May delivery	140	0	0
September	136	11	0
LINSEEDS—			
Ready	30	0	0
April-May	29	11	0
June-July	29	7	0
GROUNDNUT OILS—			
Ready	21	4	0
Ready receipts	21	3	0
April	21	3	0
May	21	4	6
June	21	5	6
July	21	6	6
Linseed oil	18	12	0
Castorseed oil first pressing quality	17	8	0
Castorseed oil commercial quality	18	8	0

SUGAR PRICES.

BOMBAY, April 18.

Inferior Quality	89	0	0
Bazar Quality	90	8	0
Big Chrystal	92	0	0
Buland	102	0	0
May dely	32	1	0
August dely.	32	0	0
January 1960	28	11	0
Arrivals today Bags	4142		

HESSIAN MARKET.

BOMBAY, April 18.

45X11.	Pics.
Ready	93-1/2
April-May	93-1/2
June-August	92-1/2
40X28 Bags.	
Ready	117 0 0
April-June	113 0 0

ART SILK YARN.

BOMBAY, April 18.

120 D. Ready	3	8	0
150 Japan Ready	3	11	0
150 D. Box April	736	0	0
150 D. Box May	745	0	0

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, April 18.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	98	7	0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100	5	0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99	10	0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96	8	0
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99	7	0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99	0	0
2 3/4 per cent 1976	96	10	0
3 per cent. non-terminable	98	0	0
3 per cent 1986 Con.	98	5	0
3 per cent 1949-52	100	6	0
3 per cent 1951-54	101	3	0
3 per cent 1953-55	101	7	0
3 per cent 1957	101	1	0
3 per cent 1959-61	100	13	0
3 per cent 1963-65	100	0	0
3 per cent 1966-68	99	14	0
3 per cent 1970-75	100	0	0
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104	10	0
4 per cent 1960-70	119	0	0
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	103	8	0
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	111	9	0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-58	114	14	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
2 3/4 per cent U. P. 1961	97	10	0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	97	8	0
3 per cent. Punjab 1949	99	0	0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100	12	0
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100	10	0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	6	0
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100	6	0
3 per cent C.P. 1952	100	8	0
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100	6	0
1977	100	14	0
3 per cent N. W. F. 1952	97	4	0
pality	110	8	0
6 per cent Bom Muni 1954	115	0	0
5 per cent Bom Muni 1959	114	0,0	
3 p.c. Bom. Municipalty 1950-60	107	0	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, April 18.

Tata Ordinary 263/8; Tata Deferred 1295; Indian Iron 21/14; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 18/2; Bombay Dyeing 931/4; Central India 238/2; Gokak 270/10; Kohinoor 277/8; Simplex 173; Swadeshi 292/8; Tata Power 1507/8; Associated Cement 136/4; Belapur 207/8; Bombay Burma (Old) 275/10; Scindia 15; Central Bank 81; New India 57; Tata 2nd Pref. 139

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, April 18.

Once again powerful Bulls are manipulating the Bullion market with active buying and shorts are compelled to lover unprotected short sales.

As pointed out before restricted supply and absence of imports are givini easy opportunities to professional operators who with their ample financial resources are able to distate prices. It will be interesting to note that even new design of market, is not able to check excessive speculative mania.

Forward Silver for Vaisakh delivery opened at Rs. 176-4 and quickly advanced at Rs. 177 and steadied at Rs. 176-14. Ready Bullion Silver was quoted at par at Rs. 176-14 while Mint Silver fetched annas six higher at Rs. 177-4.

Vaisakh Gold opened at Rs. 111-12 and advanced at Rs. 112-5 and steadied at Rs. 112-2. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 113-14 while Sovereigns were done at Rs. 74-8.

Later on there was improved buying and Silver advanced at Rs. 178-2. Towards the close there was some realising and the market closed as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	177	8	0
Silver Vaishakh	177	8	0
Gold Ready	113	8	0
Gold Vaishakh	112	2	0
Sovereigns	74	8	0

METAL PRICES.

BOMBAY, April 18.

Copper Chaitra	84	0	0
Copper Jeth	83	8	0
Tin Chaitra	51	0	0
Tin Jeth	51	12	0
Copper Ready	84	0	0
Tin Ready	51	0	0

PEPPER PRICES.

BOMBAY, April 18.

Vaishakh dely.	1550 to 1560
Jeth dely.	1560 to 1570

CHEQUES CLEARED.

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending the 14th April were as under:—

Number of Cheques: 167866.
Amount of Cheques: Rs. 46,49,42,473-14-1.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 19.

B C Rates T T D D 1-5 15/16 Ready. Readp.

B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months

London Banks selling T T D D. 1/6 31/32 Ready

London Bangs Selling T T. D D 1/6 15/16 up to 6 Months

London Banks Buying T T 1/5 1/32 to 9th Month

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/5 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month

New York and Montreal B C Rate T T Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Buying T T Rs. 330

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4 Montreal Rs. 328 1/2

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 329 Montreal Rs. 328 3/4 L/C

Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs 7860

Paris Banks Buying T T Fcs 8060

Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl.. 79

Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs 1305

Java Banks Selling T T D D Glds 79

Hongkong Banks selling T D D Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs 157

Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 165 1/4

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.0 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52. 57-53. 43 London/Alexandra Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70; London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 40; London-Belgium Cross Rat Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4; London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate Kr. 1/3 1/16-1/2 15/16 London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 128-130; London/Java Cross Rate Fl 1068-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es. 99 80-100 20; London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 809-814. London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/5; London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4-02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rates Fc. 1061-1063; London/Prargue Cross Rate K. 201-202; London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 17.34-36.

London Discts 3 Mos 9/16 p c: London Discts 6 Mos. 5/8 p c

Reserve: Bank Rate 3 p c; Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call 3/4 pc; 3 Mos 1 p c; 6 Mos 1-1/4 p c; 12 Mos 1-1/2 p c.

Tone:—Tight

PURCHASES OF DOLLARS BY INDIA.

The Government of India purchased dol. 24,180,000 from the International Monetary Fund during February, the Fund announced today in publishing its monthly statement of transactions. This brought India's total drawings the Fund to dol. 92,480,000.

India was the only member to draw upon the Fund's resources in February.

India's dollar transactions during the month just past increased the total of currency purchases by member countries from the Fund to the value of dol. 699,983,380.91. These have taken place since the Fund began exchange operations on March 1, 1947.

Dollar purchases by India from the Fund in exchange for Indian rupees began with a dol. 28 million transaction on March 29. 1948. This was followed by Indian purchases of dol. 8,060,000 on May 21, 1948, dol. 8,060,000 on June 29. dol. 8,060,000 on November 26. dol. 16,120,000 on December 30, dol. 12,090,000 on February 1, 1949 and another dol. 12,090,000 on February 7.

DELHI SPICES MARKET

DELHI, April 16.

(Rates per maund of 85 lbs.)
(Bansidhar Kurlamal).

Chillies 85. Pepper 215, Cloves 86, Ajwan 12 25. Cardamom 75 80. Supari 82 96. Gola 66 71, Katori 56 64. Turmeric 54, 57. Khus Root 30, 35.

DYES AND CHEMICALS

From: CHATRABUJ K. MAVJI,
BOMBAY, April 15.

SAPTHOLS.

Sapthol CAS	7/4
CBO	14/8
CSW	13/-
GBS	11/12
Fast Scarlet CKBO Case	7/4
Fast Scarlet CKR Base	9/8
Fast Red CB Base	10/4
Fast Red CKCR Base	9/8
Fast Garnet CKGBC Base	3/-
Fast Yellow CGO Base	7-4
Fast Corinth CB Base	6/12
Fast Orange CGC Base	9/8
Fast Orange CKGR	7/8
Fast Bordeaux CGP Base	10/-
Fast Bordeaux CGP Salt	4/8
Fast Scarlet CKR Salt	8/10
Fast Blue CB	3/8
DIRECT COLOURS.	
Direct Black Extra	6/4
Direct Green Extra	4/4
Direct Violet Extra	5/4
Direct Yellow 4GL	11/12
Direct Sky Blue Extra	7/4
Direct Rubin	5/-
Direct Orange Extra	6/8
Direct Brown	4/8
Diazo Black Extra	3/12
Chrysophenine Extra	10/-
Benzopurpurine 4B	4/-
Cong Red Extra	4/-
Tarqueise Blue G	11/8
SULPHUR COLOURS.	
Sulphur Black 692	1/10
Sulphur Black 992	1/5
Sulphur Black HK Grains	1/5
Alizarine 20 p.c. Paste	145/-
Alizarine 10p p.c. Powder	8/-
Mathylene Blue Extra	5/-
Methanil Yellow Elephant	2/8
Metanil Yellow Extra	4/8
Methyl Violet Lumps	4/4
Punkaj Magenta MCK Lumps	7/-
Magenta Extra O	8/4
Diamond Green	8/-
Bismark Brown Extra	3/4
Malachite Green Crys.	5/8
Chrysodine Extra	4/-
Auramine Extra	8/4
Acid Orange Extra	2/2
Soap Green	18/-
Acid Scarlet	4/-
Rhodamine B Extra 500 p.c.	18/-
Kumkum Scarlet	5/-
VAT FAST DYES.	
Vat Blue GCD Powder	40/-
Vat Blue RSN Powder	35/-
Vat Dark Blue BO	24/-
Vat Brilliant Green B 900	35/-
Vat Olive Green B Powder	20/-
Vat Brilliant Green B 2100 Powder	85/-
Vat Gray Powder	0/-
Vat Brown	20/-
Vat Magenta B. Powder	40/-
Vat Yellow 5 G	45/-
Vat Violet 2R & 4R Powder	60/-
PRINTING COLOURS	
Printosol C O	16/-
Printosol CO4B	14/-
Golden Yellow	60/-
Printosol Green Paste	36/-
Rapid Red	18/-
Orange	18/-
Yellow	18/-
Indigo 60 p.c. Grains (American)	3/12
Indigo 60 p.c. Grains 1 lb pkg.	4/8
CHEMICALS.	
Hydrosulphite of Soda	0/14/6
Bisulphite of Soda	48/-
Turkey Red Oil	45/-
Monopol Napthol Soap	48/-
Soda Bicarb	19/-
Sitaric Acid	145/-
Soda Ash Light USA	14/8
Ammonia Bycarb Powder	45/-
Ammonia Chloride	48/-
White Sugar of Lead	110/-
Brown Sugar of Lead	90/-
Tri Sodium Phosphate	65/-
Nitite of Soda	39/-
Bleaching Powder	18/-
Sodium Sulphide American	32/8
Sodium Sulphide Indian (small)	38/-
Sulphate of Alumina (Pure)	16/-
Aniline Salt	0/14
Bichromate of Potash	150/-
Caustic Soda 1 lb. pkg	0/6
Caustic Soda 450 lbs. pkg	25/-
Acetic Acid	6/13
Formal De Hyde	0/6
Zinc Dust	75/-
Borax Crys	22/-

N. Y. WEEKLY PEPPER REVIEW

NEW YORK, April 16 (UPA): The black pepper market remained quiet this holiday week with the spot situation continuing to ease. Considerable supplies were reported to be afloat and a number of buyers reported their purchases were being made on a "hand to mouth" basis. Brokers who had been complaining of "speculative elements" in the market continued to be wary and some of them opined if prices slide into the 70 cent range, there may be renewed speculative activity.

The firm of Has and Hurns commented, "We cannot help wondering if a few people who benefited by the recent price upswing will ever enjoy enough real compensation to offset its terrific costs to the entire industry."

In a similar vein, Avery F. Payne reported that "disturbing news about pepper comes from the Mid-West. Reports say packers are getting away from black and white pepper and using either red pepper or substitutes. Naturally, the price plays a very important part in production costs; hence, it is only reasonable to expect buyers to switch to something else when the charges get out of line. If we lose the urge in pepper, the question arises whether we will ever be able to re-capture it without too much sacrifice?"

They suggested the Spice Traders Association conduct a survey to "ascertain the extent of diversion to substitutes."

London Money Market

LONDON, April 16 (PTI-Reuter): Difficult conditions existed in London money market during the early part of the week some of the banks were calling in funds and with payments for treasury deposits receipts fairly heavy, they became unwilling lenders. Direct and indirect assistance had to be obtained before books could be balanced.

Later stages in the week, however, brought some relief. Maturing bills and some buying of June dates provided sufficient funds to enable market houses to meet requirements without further aid. There was seasonable decline in the active note circulation. Bank of England return showed this to be £17.7 millions bankers deposits again declined this week by £1,000,000.

Applications for £170,000,000 treasury bills totalled £298,350,000 170,000,000 was allotted at the overage rate of ten shillings 2.60 pence percent. Next week £170,000,000 treasury bills offered and treasury deposit receipts £75,000,000 maximum, 25,000,000 at five months and 50,000,000 at six months.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, April 18.

S.S. HARPAGON

From Newport News—386 cases leaf tobacco.

From Philadelphia—250 drums lubricating oil, 310 drums diesel oil, 100 drums mineral colze.

From New York—100 bales lubricating oil, 100 cases beverage bottle crowns, 40 drums urea, 116 ctns brake fluid flash, 33 ctns bulbs, 138 drums caustic soda, 127 drums coal tar dyes, 93 drums diesel oil, 50 boxes power pumps, 125 ctns westing house sealed beam lamps, 138 bdls. automobile parts, 28 cases auto parts, 164 ctns hydrogen peroxidicrop, 40 ctns auto lamps, 90 cases steam acid, 30 drums sulphate hiazole, 55 cases synthetic rorin, 34 bdls. motor vehicle parts, 82 ctns cough drops, 32 bales rubber belting, 38 skids tinplate, 32 ctns radio bulbs, 48 loose and mobile springs, 77 bdls. auto spring leaves, 58 cases lequer, 40 cases lequer thinnar, 39 cases steel bolts, 122 ctns brake fluid, 66 boxes electric motors, 52 cases motor parts, 268 ctns glass bottles, 200 ctns glass empty bulbs, 54 cases steel files, 85 drums mineral colza oil, 83 bdls. coke tin plate, 51 cases motor parts, 146 bdls. potassium corbonate, 173 ctns brake fluid flash, 44 cases steel bolts, and nuts, 37 cases steel nuts, 60 cases mild steel nuts, 105 kcs. auto wheels, 75 cases generators parts, 100 boxes internal combuction gas; 518 drums styran, 174 cases synthetic enamels, 43 pcs refrigeration, 808 cases lubricating oil, 64 bales second hand clothing.

S. S. ERNEBANK

From Baltimore.—94 bdls block—plate waste wasters; 245 Cases bottle cups; 66 bales used clothing.

From Newport News.—106 drums plastic powder; 259 bags dog wood shuttle blocks; 200 Cases leef tobacco; 4659 bdls birch bobbin blocks.

From Philadelphia.—1320 ctns whole milk powder; 617 drums diesel oil; 998 drums lubricating oil.

From New York.—111 Cases sceel files; 49 Cases Steel bolts; 125 drums diesel fuel oil; 125 drums mineral colza oil; 115 Cases solvohol; 250 drums slancoheavy machine; 750 drums Spindle oil; 420 Ctns crown corks; 102 drums plastic sheeting.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

S. S. STARALCYINE

To Hong Kong.—20 bags liquorice roats — Excelsior Export Import Co. 139 bales gum Bleeabore — J. S. Premjee.

To Singapore.—7 Cases agarbatti — Dass and Co.

S. S. NETRAVATI

To Karachi.—10 bdls drugun — G. M. Oomar; 35 bdls drugun — G. M. Oomar.

S. S. ABBEKERK

To Freementle.—695 bags myraballams — P. Haridas and Co.

S.S. PRESIDENT MANROE

To Marseilles: 18 bales woollen carpets—India Industries Palace.

To New York: 8 cases brassware—S. M. Ibrahim and Sons.

S.S. DURENDA

To Port Said: 154 drums linseed oil —Shree Hanuman Oil Mills.

To Rotterdam: 75 bales cottonwaste —E. T. Robertson and Sons.

To Haxre: 71 bales hemp—T. Dawoodbhai.

To Antwerp: 46 bales cottonwaste—E. T. Robertson and Sons.

S.S. JEHANGIR

To Jeddah: 10 cases porcelainware —G. Rasul and Co.

To Portsudan: 14 cases aluminiam utensils—L. Amichand Ltd.

S.S. TIMAVO

To Genoa: 55 bales cottonwaste—The Bombay Company Ltd.

S. S. CITY OF NEWPORT

To Liverpool: 26 bags gum karaya —Mepani Bros.

To Antwerp: 100 bales cotton waste —L. Rajani & Co.

S. S. DWARKA

To Bahrain: 70 bags glass bottles—N. Chunilal & Co.

S. S. EXCHEQUER

To New York: 200 bales cotton waste—Champaklal & Co.

S. S. RAJENKERK

To Rotterdam: 90 bales cotton waste—Chunilal & Co.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

BOMBAY, April 18.

S. S. TONJER from Karachi with 3,000 tons of general cargo on April 16. Agents: Malabar Steamship Co., Ltd.

STAR ALCYON from Marmagoa with 3,213 tons of cotton and general and iron ore on April 16. Awents: Killick Nixon Co., Ltd.

ABBEKERK from Rotterdam with 3,500 tons of general cargo on April 16. Agents: Forbes, Forbes Campbell & Co.

S. S. PRESIDENT MONROE from San Francisco with 50 tons of general cargo on April 16. Agents: Forbes, Forbes Campbell Co.

M. S. DWARKA from Busrah with 2,044 tons of general corgo on April 17. Agents MacKinon MacKenzie & Co.

S. S. INDIAN ENTERPRISE from London with 5,000 tons of general cargo on April 17. Agents: Lionel Edwards Ltd.

S. S. VICTORIA from New York in ballast on April 17. Agents: Graham Trading Co.

SOMALI from Kobe with 6,750 tons of general cargo on April 18. Agents: MacKinnon MacKenzie & Co.

DEPARTURES

S. S. FORT SENNEVILLE for Calcutta with 8,669 tons of salt and clay on April 17.

VASNA for Basrah with 743 tons of general cargo on April 16.

STAR OF EGYPT for Karachi with 1,400 tons of general cargo on April 17.

S. S. SHAHIN for Marmagoa with 5,000 tons of grain on April 16.

M. V. CORNISH CITY for Vancouver in ballast on April 17.

HEATHER for Cochin with general cargo on April 17.

S. S. BAMORA for Karachi with 450 tons of general cargo on April 17.

MILANO for Chittagong with 2,058 tons of general cargo on April 15.

TIN STOCK FOR DISPOSAL

The Government of Bombay has got some stock of tin ingots and strips of rings for disposal to those who require them for bona fide purposes.

Tin ingots will be available at the recently revised price, that is, Rs. 421 per cwt. ex-godown of Messrs. William Jacks and Co. Ltd., Bombay. For the price of tin strips, enquiries may be addressed to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay.

Consumers from Bombay City and Bombay Suburban District may apply to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Bombay, for a permit for release of tin. Those from the mofussil areas should approach the Collector of the District concerned or the agents appointed by him, for obtaining their requirements.

SOUND PROGRESS OF UNITED COMMERCIAL BANK

Commendable Policy Of Caution In Matter Of Advances

The Balance Sheet of the United Commercial Bank as on 31st December, 1948, which is published elsewhere, is a record of continued progress which the bank has been able to maintain despite the unpropitious conditions which obtained last year. During this period the bank has completed the verification of their Assets in Western Pakistan and the securities for their advances in that Province. As a result, it has been found that a provision of Rs. 2 1/2 lacs is ample for Bad and Doubtful Debts in that area and for possible contingencies.

The deposits of the bank have improved from Rs. 34.55 crores in December 1947 to Rs. 38.24 crores. Debts secured by investments per contra increased from Rs. 3.83 crores to Rs. 4.59 crores. The total of the Balance Sheet has reached the impressive figure of Rs. 51.84 crores, recording an advance of Rs. 4.56 crores over last year's figure. Notwithstanding this large increase in the Working Capital, the bank's advances stand at only Rs. 12.84 crores, i.e., Rs. 62 lacs lower than on 31st December, 1947. The bank has obviously been following a commendable policy of caution in the matter of Advance and have resisted the temptation to show large profits by lending at more remunerative rates. The bulk of the increase in the Working Capital has gone to swell the investments which in spite of heavy fall in the price of Government Securities are valued at or below market rates, and stand at Rs. 25.78 crores compared to Rs. 22.94 crores last year. Cash Balance stands at Rs. 7.37 crores, being Rs 2.13 crores over last year's figure.

The net profit for the year was not much larger than in the previous year, being Rs. 36.49 lacs, against Rs. 36.21 lacs. Interest and Discount earned amounted to Rs. 1.12 crores, showing an increase of about Rs. 11 lacs over last year. Exchange Commission earned amounted to Rs. 25.63 lacs against Rs. 21.31 lacs in 1947. The total income for the year thus came to Rs. 1.37 crores compared to Rs. 1.22 crores of the previous year. Interest paid during the year was more by Rs 5.63 lacs, while salaries have risen by Rs. 5.58 lacs. with the result that the net profit is better by about Rs. 27,000 only

A sum of Rs 30 lacs has been transferred to Investments Account and Rs. 5 lacs to Reserve Fund. A contribution of Rs. 1,81,111 has been made to the Gandhi National Memorial Fund and a sum of Rs. 2.5 lacs has been provided, as mentioned already, for the West Punjab debts and contingencies. The Dividend has been maintained at 3 per cent. absorbing Rs. 6 lacs, and after the payment of Rs. 1.5 lacs as Bonus to Staff, a sum of Rs. 1,19,044 is being carried forward.

The Bank opened as many as 21 branches and Pay Offices in India including one in Pondicherry, and enlarged its activities abroad by opening branches at Moulmein and Penang.

INCREASE IN WORLD GOLD PRODUCTION

(In thousands of ounces fine)

	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948
Union of South Africa	14,127	12,804	12,280	12,225	11,927	11,200	11,585
Canada ..	4,841	3,651	2,922	2,697	2,828	3,070	3,500*
U.S.A. ..	2,583	1,381	1,022	915	1,462	2,321	2,099
U.S.S.R. ..	3,000*	2,000*	2,000*	2,000*	2,000*	2,000*	2,000*
Australia ..	1,154	751	657	657	824	937	865*
Gold Coast ..	779	567	523	539	586	568	660*
Southern Rhodesia ..	760	657	593	568	545	523	514
Mexico ..	801	652	509	524	430	464	450*
Colombia ..	597	566	554	507	437	383	335
Congo ..	514	451	364	347	331	300*	300*
India ..	256	252	187	168	131	172	180
Peru ..	258	197	175	163	158	160*	160*
Chile ..	187	174	204	180	231	169	150*
Brazil ..	157	160	166	162	140	134*	130*
New Zealand ..	169	149	142	128	119	110*	100*
Sweden ..	177	135	124	69	92	90*	100*
Philippines ..	159	14	—	12	50*	64	100*
Korea ..	868	412	119	96	100*	100*	100*
New Guinea ..	—	—	—	—	1	59	75*
Fiji ..	91	62	40	95	82	80*	75*
Japan ..	500*	300*	179	100*	50*	50*	50*
Elsewhere ..	1,452*	1,144*	1,009*	914*	811*	756*	672*
World Total ..	34,427*	26,479*	23,770*	23,067*	23,235*	23,700*	24,200*
British Empire ..	22,466	19,084	17,501	17,225	17,179	16,839	17,686*
British Empire percentage	65.3	72.1	73.6	74.7	73.6	71.1	73.1
U. of S. Africa percentage	41.0	48.4	51.7	53.0	51.1	47.3	47.9

* Estimated or provisional figure

The annual Bullion review 1948 issued by Messrs. Samuel Montagu & Co. London, states that Union Corporation Ltd. to whom they are indebted for the foregoing table makes the following observations.

'From information received to date it is estimated that world production of gold during 1948 was about 24,200,000 ounces fine or 500,000 ounces higher than in the previous year. This is due largely to increase in the outputs of Canada, South Africa and the Gold Coast which have more than offset decreases in the United States and Australia.

'Nominal figures of Russian and Far Eastern production are included in order to arrive at an estimated World Total.'

Throughout 1948, the Bank of England maintained its buying rate for bar gold of 172s. 3d. per fine ounce, which is the parity—less shipping expenses and other charges to New York—of the U.S. Treasury gold price of $35 per fine ounce, which likewise remained unchanged.

BAN MAINTAINED ON FREE DEALINGS

Unfortunately, the Bank of England also maintained its ban—imposed at the behest of the International Monetary Fund—on London houses participating in dealings in bar gold at any premium over the equivalent of the above-mentioned U.S. Treasury price. This continued prohibition, superimposed on all the extended wartime restrictions still considered necessary for the protection of this country's economic position, effectively muzzled the London gold market and drove it back to the obscurity in which it had languished during the long war years.

It will be remembered that at the end of 1946 the Bank of England did give permission for London dealers to act as intermediaries in gold transactions between principals domiciled outside the 'scheduled territories' or sterling area as it more popularly designed, even at prices showing a premium over the U.S. Treasury price. However, at the crack of the I.M.F. whip, this permission was withdrawn in July 1947, but not before the skill and long experience of London operators had earned a not inconsiderable sum of dollars for this country and demonstrated once again the potential capacity of London to regain the position of the world's premier gold market.

EXPORT FLOAT GOLD SCHEME

Exports under the above-mentioned scheme were drastically curtailed during 1948. From the beginning of the year the Bank of England implemented their support of the I.M.F. policy by refusing to grant any export licences for processed and semi-processed gold to those quarters including some hard currency areas, from whence they considered there was a chance that the gold might be diverted to other than commercial purposes. Even to destinations considered above suspicion the amounts licensed for export were reduced to risible quantities and these allocations became curtailed to a mere trickle as the year drew to a close.

RE-EXPORT OF FOREIGN-OWNED GOLD

One slight easement of the many restrictions pressing on the market occurred in August when the Bank of England, following representations by British refiners, announced that re-export of gold sent to this country for smelting and refining from outside the sterling area would in future be allowed to any destinations outside the sterling area where its import would not conflict with local regulations. Previously such gold might only be returned to the country of ownership, and this curtailment of re-export facilities had led to serious loss of business by gold refiners here as the consignors of refinable gold quite naturally diverted their consignments to other centres where no such restrictions obtained. Concurrently, the same relaxation was extended to pre-war deposits of gold held in this country on foreign account.

These not unimportant concessions were gratefully received by both refiners and members of the London market, inasmuch as they were able to gather a few of the crumbs which fell from the foreign dealers' tables. Nevertheless they still continued to regard with wistful eyes those centres overseas where, the I.M.F flag not being so firmly nailed to the masthead, active gold dealings proceeded apace.

THE WORLD DEMAND FOR GOLD

International gold trading have been banished from well-established centres such as London and New York it is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain reliable information as to prices, destinations and amounts of the gold now being dealt in on a world wide scale

Most reports agree that the bulk of the free market purchases ultimately, after devious journeys and the use of varied and often incredible devices to evade the import ban, ends up in China. Most other countries of the Far and Middle East have, however, absorbed a fair quota.

Nearer home, in France the Government in the early part of the year had established a free internal gold market, with the grudgingly given consent of the I.M.F. The increasing demand and the high prices which ruled despite frequent Government sales, attracted a constant stream of smuggled supplies from neighbouring countries. Here it may be mentioned that replicas in gold of Latin Union and other gold coins, including sovereigns, have been struck without authority in certain European countries to meet the keen demand for such coin.

Any estimate of the total amount of gold dealt with in the various 'off-white' markets can only be a matter of guesswork, but we should put the figure as round about 3,500,000 to 4,000,000 ounces for the year under review.

Initial supplies would appear to have come mainly from pre-war hoards of gold deposited in this country and elsewhere, although there has been a steady from South American countries, presumably freshly mined production. Prices are reported in the first place to have ranged a couple of dollars either side of $45 the ounce, but these prices increased rapidly at each intermediate stage of the gold's journey to the East so that the ultimate purchaser has often had to pay anything from 30 to 50 per cent more.

IRAN DENOUNCES KEY ARTICLES IN TREATY WITH RUSSIA

TEHERAN, April 17 (UPA): Usually reliable sources said the Government told Russia it considers null and void three key articles of the 1921 Iranian-Russian Treaty.

The clauses denounced, the informants said, were those which permitted Russia to send troops into Iran in certain circumstances to control the Caspian Sea fisheries and to control Iranian customs and tariffs

The informants, who are close to the Government, said the repudiation was communicated to Russian Ambassador Ivan Sadchikov before he left for Moscow Friday. They added that Sadchikov was told also that Iran would protest to the United Nations unless Russian pressure ceased.

Iran reportedly told Russia that Iranian membership in the United Nations automatically cancelled all treaties entered into "under duress."

RISING GERMAN EXPORTS

LONDON, (IPS) The British Big Business is alarmed with the growing menace of German exports backed by wage standards half of those existing in Britain. A representation has been made to the President of the Board, Mr Harold Wilson by prominent industrialists and Trade Unionists. Evidence has been furnished showing how German cars, scientific instruments and other engineering products are undercutting British exports in several world markets. This is only the beginning they have stressed. It is anticipated that within a short time exports of coal from the Ruhr will threaten British drive to regain post-war coal markets. Further, a campaign is gaining in strength in Germany to revise Potsdam agreement in order to permit German ship yards to build ocean going vessels.

KOLAROV TO REPLACE DIMITRO

SOFIA, April 17, (U. P. A.): Foreign Minister Vassil Kolarov will replace Premier Georgi Dimitrov during the latter's "leave of absence due to sickness," it was officially announced tonight.

It had been announced Thursday night that Dimitrov was taking sick leave in the Soviet Union.

Tonight's communique said, "During his granted leave of absence due to sickness, Premier Comrade Georgi Dimitrov will be substituted by Vice-President of the Ministerial Council and Foreign Minister Comrade Vassil Kolarov."

Kolarov is 69 years old, about three years older than Dimitrov. He spent most of the two world wars in Moscow where he was a key man in the old Communist Internationals. He was one of the signers of the wartime announcement that the Comintern had been dissolved. Dimitrov was former Secretary General of the Comintern.

UNIFORM FISCAL POLICY FOR INDIA

States Financial Enquiry Committee's Work

RAJKOT, April 18 (API).—Mr. M. Dandekar, member of the Krishnamachari Financial Enquiry Committee, said here in an interview today, that no State need entertain any apprehension regarding the recommendations of the Committee. He said the Committee's recommendations would not put the States and States Unions in a disadvantageous position or stifle their growth.

Mr. Dandekar said that one of the States for which the report had been completed had expressed the view that the recommendations were "most fair." The Committee had finished its work regarding Baroda, Mysore, Cochin and Travancore. The report of the Committee is expected to be ready by the end of May in time for the Constituent Assembly of India to discuss it.

Mr. Dandekar said that the enquiry was connected with the question of integration of federal finances and States finances in such a manner that a uniform fiscal policy prevailed in the whole of India. The Committee would consider to what extent this was feasible and the stages through which the integration should be carried out. It would be the purpose of the Committee to see that no serious dislocation of either Central or States finances took place as a result of the fiscal integration.

Another aim was to abolish internal customs, barriers. Mr. Dandekar said that it was planned to complete the integration process in 15 years.

"The Committee was not concerned with administrative set up of States Union or any question arising out of mergers of States into the Indian Union.

RAILWAY RATES TRIBUNAL

NEW DELHI, April 18. (A.P.I.): Mr. N. S. Lokur, Chief Justice of Kolhapur High Court, has been appointed the first chairman of the Railway Rates Tribunal, set up to deal with freight rates

Mr. L. M. Roy, Bar at Law, Allahabad, and Mr. Sauriprasad Mohapatra, Advocate of the Orissa High Court, are members of the Tribunal. Mr. S. R. Kalyanaraman, Deputy General Manager of the Madras and Southern Maharatta Railway, is the Secretary.

The Tribunal is authorised to entertain complaints that railway administrations are exercising discrimination, quoting unreasonable rates, attaching unreasonable conditions to rates, or are unreasonably refusing to quote a fair station-to-station rate. The Tribunal alone will have the powers to reclassify any commodity in a higher class, though such powers will not be exercised except upon application by the Central Government. Increase or reduction in the level of class rates, scheduled rates, terminal or other charges will be made only by the Central Government. Both the Tribunal and the Central Government will have powers to reclassify any commodity in a lower class; but the classification of a previously unclassified commodity will be done by the Central Government.

The Tribunal will deal only with freight rates. The scales of charges for the carriage of passenger luggage, parcels, military traffic, railway materials, stores, demurrage charges are excluded from the jurisdiction of the tribunal except when specific reference is made to it by the Central Government.

The establishment of the Tribunal, which is an important step in the development of the freight policy of Indian Government Railways, was authorised by the Indian Parliament in September 1948, though its establishment had been recommended by the Acworth Committee as far back as 1921.

AGRICULTURE CENSUS IN INDIA

Technical Committee Appointed

NEW DELHI, April 18. (A.P.I.): The Government of India have appointed a technical committee with Mr. W. R. Natu, Economic and Statistical Adviser, Ministry of Agriculture as its chairman, in pursuance of a recommendation made by the F.A.O. for organising an agricultural census in 1950 in member countries.

The Committee will examine the forms of returns at present used by the different Provinces and States for routine collection of data, evolve standard forms of returns and consider whether any special modifications are necessary in the scope of enquiry in respect of areas where the system of land survey or record of rights is not introduced.

The committee will also explore the directions in which the data collected through the census of agriculture can be usefully integrated with the data collected through the census of population.

Chetty's Appeal To Merchants And Industrialists

TRICHY, April 18 (API): Mr. R. K. Shanmugam Chetty, former Finance Minister of India, today appealed to the industrialists and merchants of the country to be honest and not to look to their profits alone. If they failed to gain public support, their future was not bright, he said.

Mr. Chetty, who opened the Trichy District Millowners Sangham here said there was complaint everywhere about rice. The rice millowners, who were procuring agents and retail dealers, must consider it as their duty to supply good rice. On the other hand, purely from profit motives they sold bad rice mixed with stones and mud. They would lose public confidence and never get their grievances redressed, however legitimate they might be.

INDIAN SCIENTISTS IN AUSTRALIA

Left to Right—Mr. R. B. Jeffreys and Dr. S. Krishna at the Maryvale plant of Australian Paper Manufacturers Ltd.

POTENTIAL SUBSTITUTE FOR JUTE

NEW YORK (UPA)—Development of kenaf fiber as a potential substitute for jute was cited by "Business Week" magazines recently as an example of how President Truman's world-development programme might work in its early stages.

Recalling that Cuban sugar manufacturers now pay some dol. 20,000,000 for Indian jute to make sugar bags, the magazine said:

"Now thanks to a couple of technical brains from the U. S. Department of Agriculture and a helping hand from U.S. industry, Cuba may be able to grow a good substitute for the jute it imports....

"Some day the U.S. may get just as much out of the kenag project as the Cubans. If the fibre experiments pan out, industry will have a new source of fibre—a lost closer to home than India, or the Philippines. Agriculture is very optimistic over other uses for kenaf—twine, specialty papers, beat caulking. Kenaf is cheap, too; it costs only four cents a pound to produce.

"The Cuban kenaf project is only one of 300 research and development projects that the Agriculture Department has under may throughout the world. Some are designed primarily to provide the U.S. with a better supply of scarce materials. Others aim at balancing the economies of nations that today bank on one product for the bulk of their revenue. All of them bring U. S. technical knowledge into areas that sorely need it.

"U.S. Deuartment of Agriculture technicians work on a range of products—rubber, quinine, kenaf and henequin (for fibre) rotenone (for insecticides), tea, cocoa leaf (for cocaine), lumber, bananas, cituus fruits, coffee, vegetable oils and many others."

American Mills Turn Down Low Bids For Print Cloth

NEW YORK, April 16 (UPA)

The textile market was held low this week by consumer price consciousness combined with holiday influence. Starting with the Wednesday pass-over and the ensuing week-end Easter holidays, new business was halted in most divisions. In Worth Street, cotton goods converters reported only a small trickle of orders for goods in quick and nearby positions with contract commitments entered into with an extent of caution pending further retail field developments. Some buyers indicated future buying plans might be influenced to some extent after they had an opportunity to analyse returns on Easter shopping despite the rise in the old crop raw cotton futures to the highest levels of the year with May delivery crowding 33 cent mark. Garment manufacturers and piece goods buyers still counted on the possibility of levelling off in prices at the mill.

Mill representatives continued to turn down low bids for print, cloth constructions, signifying their intention to curtail operations rather than build up warehouse inventories.

Burlap prices eased to the lowest levels since November 1946. The decline followed the news that the Indian Government had approved proposals to seal 12-1/2 percent of the looms for a 24 week period this month. Burlap importers here figured even with the reduction, the monthly rate would run between 120,000,000 and 130,000,000 yards.

LONDON, (By Cable). Bermuda's population of 36,294 includes two women over 100 years of age, nine people whose average age is 95, and 34 who average 84 years. This has been disclosed by the Colonial Office.—L. P. S.

New Disease Attacking U. S. Cattle Herds

BALTIMORE, (UPA)—A group of scientists met for the second time at Johns Hopkins University in an effort to find a cure for a mysterious new disease attacking cattle herds in the United States.

The unnamed malady, designated only as the "K-disease in cattle", was reported most prevalent in Alabama, Georiga, Indiana, New York, Pennsylvania, Tennesee and Texas. The disease, first noted by Cornell scientists in 1941, apparently has been spreading to other parts of the country.

Dr. A. M. Lee of the Department of Agriculture, said about 60 per cent of the animals infected by the disease died and that those which survived were found to be sterile.

Dr. Peter Olafson of Cornell University and the first signs of the disease seems to be a thickening of the skin and a general "droopiness" in the animal's appeance.

"As the disease develops, the animal becomes increasingly emaciated and shows signs of depression while its eyes water constantly", Dr. Olafson said.

The Cornell scientist said internal symptoms included wart-like lesions in the mouth and various passages of the body. He said the disease also made cattle susceptible to other maladies.

Optimistic Feeling On New York Cotton Exchange

NEW YORK, April 16 (UPA)

Independent strength in old crop deliveries with May rising to 32.93 cents per pound, the highest level since the middle of May last year, dominated trading in cotton futures this week.

New York and New Orleans Cotton Exchanges will remain closed from Thursday through Sunday in observance of Easter. At Thursday's close, the list ruled 21 to 63 points higher or 1.05 to 3.15 dollars higher than a week ago. The soaring prices reflected tightening supplies as the first notice day for May futures—April 26—approached.

Spot interests became sparing sellers just as shipper covering against exprt sales began to expand. In view of the steady shrinkage in certificated stocks available for contract delivery and the large open interest remaining in May, some technicians thought shorts in May might feel the tighening pinch. Others said any further rise might attract heavier producer redemptions and ease the supply picture.

Optimism on immediate export business increased as traders anticipated Congressional approval of the Administration's 5,500,000,000 dollar foreign aid extension bill. ECA calls for exports of 600,000 bales to Marshall Plan countries from April 1 to June 30 and 3,750,000 bales from July 1 and June 30 next year.

Additionally, the Army inquired about 55,900 bales for Japanese civilian rehabilitation programme. Also, it was reported Japan may seek 165,000 bales under the unused 150,000,000 dollar revolving fund set up by Congress last year.

The New York Cotton Exchange estimated that total consumption of all cotton in the U.S. during March amounted to 730,000 bales against 640,000 during February and 880,000 in March of last year.

Greek Civil Servants' Strike To End

ATHENS, April 17 (UPA): The two-week-old Greek civil servants' strike which paralysed Greece's foreign trade and has thrown the state economy out of gear is to end Monday morning following a Government promise to "consider sympathetically" their demand for a loan equal to one month's pay.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON JULY

NEW YORK, April 18.

Previous closing	32.11
Today's opening	32.09
Difference	— 2
Today's closing	32.04
Difference	— 7

LAST QUOTATIONS

Silver Vaishak Shud 15	Rs.	177-10
Gold Vaishak Shud 15	Rs.	112- 0
Silver Bullion	Rs.	177-11
Silver Mint	Rs.	178- 0
Gold Ready	Rs.	113- 0
Sovereign	Rs.	74- 0
EXPECTATION:		
Cotton Jarila May	Rs.	625- 8

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, April 18:

The market ruled an easier note round all sections. Business on the otherhand was put through on a fair scale. Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: 3 percent Government paper 97|12, S. Lot three percent loan 1986 98|4, Three percent loan 1951|54 101|1, Three percent loan 1953|55 106, S. Lot three percent loan 1957 101|1, Three percent loan 1963|65 100|1, S. Lot three percent loan 1970|75 99|13, S. Lot Four percent 1960|70 110|4.

BANKS: Allahabad Bank Conty 231|- Bharat Bank 4, S. Lot Calcutta National Bank 11|8, Imperial Bank Conty 447|-.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 9|13, Elgin Mills 16|4, New Victoria Ordy 2|1.

COALS: Bengal 415|, Bhalgora 5|7, Burra Dhemo 2|2, Burrakur 11|10, Central India 4, Jainty Central 2|1, Kuardi 6|12, Satpukuria and Asansol 1|1, Talcher 3|12.

JUTES: Alliance Pref 130|, Craig 16, Naihati Second Pref 103|8, S. Lot Auckland Second Pref 103|8 S. Lot Fort Gloster Second Pref 116|12.

MININGS: Burma Corp 2|5, Consolidated Tin 1, Indian Copper 2|2, Tavoy Tin Annas ten.

MISCELLANEOUS: Sone Valley Cement 5|14, Calcutta Electric 18|10, Indian Iron and Steel 21|14, Kumardhubi Eng. 7|6, Marshalls 5|1, National Iron 5|, Steel Corp 18|, Ditto Pref 125|8, S. Lot Bic 7|14, British Burma Petrol 1|6, Star Paper 5|8, Titaghur Paper 32|12, Assam Saws 6|4, India Steampshi 7|1.

SUGARS: Belsund 4|1, Buland 17|15, Darbhanga 9|10, Ramnugger Cane 14|1.

TEAS: Gungaram W. 240|, CT Goobah 5, Rutema 14|, CT. Tezpore 20|12, CT. Teloijan 12|8, Tukvar 9|10.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS April 18. (A.P.I.): Following are today's quotations in the Madras Stock Exchange:

Government of India Loans three per cent paper 98, Three per cent 1986 98/4, Three per cent 1953/55 101/7, Government of Travancore Three per cent 1952/54 101/8, Government of Madras Three per cent 1956 100/8, Three per cent 1958 100, Three per cent 1960 100.

BANKS: Travancore 15/12.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17, Travancore 6/12.

PLANTINGS: Cochin Malabar 3/14, Devashola 16/14, Midland 3/6, Pulangode 0/12/6, Thirumbadi 1/11, T. R. & T. Co. cd 5/3, Vaikudnam cd 7, Waterfall 2/9.

TEXTILES: Balasubramaniar 40, Bangalore Woollen 206, Buckingham 146, Cambodia 9/5, Coimbatore Pioneer 111, Janardhana 4/8, Lakshmi 64, Madura 40/8, Mettur 30/8, Mysore Spun 5/4, Radhakrishna 144, Ranga Villas 45, Trichinopoly cd 11/4, Travancore Rayons 3/9, Vasantha 103.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 65, F. A. C. T. 4/4, Mettur Chem 6/5, Mysore Chem & Ferts 5/12 Mysore Paper 11.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, April 18.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices Anaconda copper 30 1/8, General motors unquoted, United States steel common 72 1/4, United States steel preference unquoted.

SAURASHTRA MARKET QUOTATIONS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, April 18.

Rajkot silver Vaishakh 177-6-0, Rajkot sugar Chaitra 90-2-0, Rajkot aranda May 140-2-0, Rajkot aranda September 137-6-0, Jamnagar silver Vaishakh 176-10-0, Jamnagar aranda May 139-14-0, Wadhwan cotton Jeth 28-12-0, Wadhwan sugar Chaitra 16-0-2.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, April 18.

Market ruled easy in sympathy with steel shares, textile shares were steady comparatively. Closing quotations Atul 36, New national 1175, Rohit 116/4, Vivekanand 215, Ahmedabad cotton 400, Arvind 1469, Ambika 415, Calico 1160, Deferred 1320, Jupiter 321.

CALICUT MARKET.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CALICUT, April 18.

Coiryarn Beypore 135/145, quilandy 145/155, fibre garbled 85, ungarbled 75, coconuts raw 175, dry 165/180, coconut oil 570, copra office 380, dilpasand 385/390, Madrasnottam 435/440, pepper wynaad 1725, country 1715, dry ginger chernad 750, earnad 275, coffee robusta 150, timber pali 55/65, jungle wood 32/35, vellapine 65/70, benteak 45/50, teak 95/120 mango 3/3/4, teak 20/25, rose wood 20/22/8.

HAPUR MARKET.

(From Our Correspondent.)

HAPUR, April 18.

Wheat 19 to 21, gram 13, barley 12/8, maize 12/8, bajra 14, juwar 14, guwar 11/8, peas ready 12/8, jeth 11/15/6, arhar ready 12/8, Jeth 12/7, urd 17/8, moong 19/8 to 15, sarson 27/8, taraseed 21 to 23, mustaroil 74, oilcake 9/2, groundnut 17/8, cottonseed 15/8, Baisakh 13/9, Fagun 11/5, bardana ready white 125, red 108, Asuj 106, April 127, September 121, silver 174/4, gold 112/2, steady.

INSTITUTE OF ART IN INDUSTRY

Designers To Be Trained: Review At Annual Meeting

CALCUTTA, (By Mail).

At the Annual General Meeting of the Indian Institute of Art in Industry held in Calcutta on the 11th April, the Chairman, (the Maharajadhiraj Bahadur of Burdwan, referred to the definite improvement which had occurred in the financial position of the Institute during the preceding financial year, and outlined the measures taken to reorganise the Institute since August 15th, 1947.

The Government of India, he said, had decided to take keener interest in the activities of the organisation and had requested an increase in their representation on the Executive Committee from one to four members, a request which had gladly been complied with. Government had appointed the Hon'ble Mr. N. Kanungo, Minister for Development, Government of Orissa; Dr. Tara Chand, the Education Adviser to the Government of India; Mr. M. Pai, I.C.S. and Dr. J. N. Ray of the Ministry of Industry & Supply as their representatives on the Executive Committee and Council.

Government had suggested that the Institute should expand its services to large-scale industry on the lines followed by the Council of Industrial Design in Great Britain; and with reference to cottage industries, had recommended that the Institute submit a specific programme of activities to the newly creaed Cottage Industries Board. This programme had been submitted and had been approved by the Board.

A thorough-going reorganisation, the Chairman continued, had been effected in the internal administration of the Institute in the year 1948 to enable it to meet its new responsibilities at the lowest possible cost. The Institute's programme for the coming year included the holding of its Annual Exhibition on more ambitious lines than in the past, and the mounting of a number of smaller exhibitions on behalf of particular industries. The Art-in-Industries Magazine which had been suspended for some months, would resume publication in the near future, and greater attention than before would be given to the important place of cottage industries in the economy of the country.

The Institute's survey of Indian designs had been reorganised, and it was proposed to start a series of publications dealing with the subject of design in each industry in turn. Work had already begun on a pilot survey in two selected areas on behalf of the Cottage Industries Board. The Institute also proposed to inaugurate comprehensive courses for the training of industrial designers, either in an independent school of its own, or in collaboration with Art and Technological Institute already in existence; and negotiations were in progress for the appointment of qualified industrial designers for this purpose. Some of the leading advertising agencies had also agreed to collaborate with the Institute in drawing up a syllabus for evening classes in commercial art.

The Maharajadhiraj Bahadur of Burdwan has been re-elected as Chairman of the Council and the following gentlemen have been elected to the new Executive Committee:— Messrs. L. N. Birla, S. K. Bose, M. H. Broom, D. C. Driver, S. Sen Gupta, Sookamal Ghose, H. K. S. Lindsay, C. H. G. Moorhouse and R. K. Sirkar. Mr. Driver has been elected as Chairman of the Executive Committee in succession to Mr M. H. Broom.

How Farmers Can Earn More Money

LONDON, (By Cable).

At the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, 62 English landowners, some of whom own as little as five acres while other have estates of up to 50,000 acres, are now attending a course in "profitable farming" organised by the Central Landowners' Association.

The Royal Agricultural College was not founded for scientific research but in order to teach farmers how to make money out of their land. It does this the practical way, by running a home farm on poor Cotswold soil and with non-pedigree cows bought cheaply, and upgraded in milk production purely by good management.

This 60-acre farm, with 20 dairy cows, made a profit last year of £1,300 (Rs. 17 crores) on £1,500 (Rs. 20 crores) invested, due mainly to the energy and practical commonsense of Professor Robert Bontflour, its Director. If every farmer in Britain could run his farm with equal efficiency a sharp rise in production — and profit — would result. The aim of the College is to bring this end about as speedily as possible, by means of courses such as the present one.—L.P.S.

KARACHI COTTON MARKET,

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, April 18.

Cotton Sind Nt 92, Punjab 289 ot/lss 87, Fourf 85, Market easy demand quiet as demand from India has completely petered out and continent has failed to show any interest. Muslim merchants deputation waited upon chief controller exports pleading (fifty) for extention of expired continental export quotas equal 50 and allowing Japanese trade mission to purchase more cotton. Spot business yesterdays totalled 550, and new crop nt October quoting 79/8 to 80. Cottonseeds nt ready 9/2, April 9/3/6, quiet, (one hundred) Stock Exchange. Pakistan State Bank 104, Habib Bank 178, Muslim commercial bank 47, three per cent 1960 equal 100 Govt. Loan 101/9, Market listless excepting some investment buying of corporation bonds.

SRINAGAR. — Villagers along the border line in Tithwal and Gurez have sent deputations to the Jammu and Kashmir Government complaining against the recent infiltration by Pakistan troops and Pathan tribesmen.

These deputations have requested the State Government to afford them greater military protection against such incursions.

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"INDIA MUST INCREASE HER STEEL OUTPUT"

Government's Present Plans For Production Inadequate & Slow, Says Visveswarayya

BOMBAY, APRIL 18 (A.P.I.): SIR MOKSHAGUNDAM VISVESWARAYYA, VETERAN INDIAN INDUSTRIALIST, SAID HERE TODAY THAT INDIA MUST SPEED UP THE EXPANSION OF HER STEEL INDUSTRY.

INDIA, HE SAID, MUST INCREASE HER STEEL OUTPUT TO FIVE MILLION TONS IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. HE DESCRIBED THE PRESENT PLANS OF GOVERNMENT FOR STEEL PRODUCTION AS "SLOW AND INADEQUATE".

Sir M. Visveswarayya was commenting on the recommendations of the British and American experts who made a technical survey of India for the establishment of steel factories. The experts' report, published last week, proposed the expansion of production in existing steel factories (Tata Iron and Steel Works, the Steel Corporation of Bengal and the Iron Works at Bhadravati) and the establishment of two new factories, one in Orissa and the other in Bihar.

"MOTHER OF INDUSTRIES"

The 89-year-old ex-Diwan of Mysore, who initiated the plans for the Bhadravati Iron Works of Mysore, said that the Government's programme did not do justice to the "mother of industries"

"The Government expects to produce two or two-and-a-half million tons in five years but the country requires double the quantity", he declared.

"Development at the hands of Government", he added "is a slow process. In the case of steel for instance they propose to set-up two plants of half a million tons capacity each but they have yet to establish a factory!"

SEVERE HANDICAP

Sir M. Visveswarayya said, that lack of funds was a severe handicap to the development of this vital industry. Private capital and enterprise, he added, should be encouraged to take up the task and raise annual production to the required level.

In foreign countries, he pointed out, the development of steel and other industries was left until recently to private manufacturers. In the United States, a single firm manufactured 12,000,000 tons a year. The total steel production in the U. S. was 90,000,000 tons annually.

Sir Mokshakundam said "the more steel we make available in the country, the greater will be the pace of industrial progress in India. At present, we cannot get steel from America, nor can we get the frozen capital invested in the industry in India. There has been no progress at all during the past eight or ten years in the matter of steel production in the country"

Sir M. Visveswarayya endorsed the proposal for the establishment of new steel factories in Bihar and Orissa. These factories, he said, would be able to produce steel at rates cheaper than in any other country in the world, provided proper equipment is made available to the industry.

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Illustrating this, he recalled that charcoal iron from the Bhadravati Iron Works was sold in the United States several years ago at rates cheaper than the ruling market prices there. The result was that the United States restricted Indian exports, of this commodity to 5,000 tons and threatened to raise a tariff wall if this limit was exceeded.

Sir M. Visveswarayya differed from the foreign experts' report, ruling out Madras at suitable location for a steel plant at present. The experts came to this decision in view of the distance and transport difficulties in sending coking and steam coal and from the present coal-mining areas.

Sir Mokshakundam said that if Madras businessmen were enterprising enough, they could manufacture steel and tool steel with the aid of electric power. He conceded, however, that such a plan would need considerable organisation.

ON COMMERCIAL BASIS

India's steel industry, expansion of which is sought by Government and industrialists alike, was started on a commercial basis by the pioneer industrialist, Jamshedji Tata in 1908. The Bhadravati Iron Works of Mysore was established in 1921 and the Steel Corporation of Bengal in 1936.—

The block capital invested in these concerns are:— Tatas Rs. 368,000,000; Steel Corporation of Bengal Rs. 144,000,000; and the Bhadravati Works Rs. 21,000,000.

The annual production of steel in India is about 1,300,000 tons—about one per cent of the total world production.

BOMBAY'S VENDORS

69. The Snacks-At-Station Man

Our photographer has changed his venue temporarily and for a good reason. The Chinaman with the vegetable basket whom he planned to include in the Vendor series, last week, walked up with a smile and made an offer: "I pose for picture; you get money; you take my basket; I make money. Good business, eh? Our photographer clicked his high-speed camera with the reply: "I buy no basket; you get no money" and left the street corner. Here he is on a Railway platform being greeted by a different type of vendor who is out to relieve the monotony of a long distance journey with the help of chocolates, cigarettes and biscuits. "Buy here", he warns you, "you cannot get down, once you enter the train; all packed; no cigarette — no sleep". Unlike the foot-path walker, he has a monopolistic air about him. He is conscious of that shiny badge on the coat. If you argue about the price, he promptly shows his badge "No cut-throat price here — I am railway vendor". But he has his small tricks on unwary passengers who are unaware of the card of schedule prices issued by the Railway. He hides it conveniently in his coat pocket and quotes fancy rates. If you threaten to report, out comes the card and a profuse — "Bhool — maph".

"NORTH AFRICA WILL BE MAIN DEFENCE BASTION"

Light On Washington Decisions: Signing Of Pact And After

CHICAGO, April 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The "Chicago Tribune" said today that preliminary resistance of Western Europe against any onslaught by the Russian Army will be based on the Ijssel (Holland), the Rhine and the Po (Italy) rivers.

But North Africa will be the main defence bastion, the newspaper said, in a dispatch from its Paris correspondent.

The Tribune said: "This was the decision made by the Foreign Ministers and American authorities in the meetings following the signing of the North Atlantic Pact in Washington when the Europeans submitted the list of weapons and equipment they desire from the United States under the proposed Military Lend-Lease".

The dispatch said the Iberian Peninsula will be organised as a continental defence base if the Unite States agrees to finance reconstruction of the Spanish highways. Railways and ports to handle supplies and the troops movements.

The newspaper said it had learned the outline of the "projected military operations" from members of the French Mission, who accompanied Foreign Minister M. Robert Schuman to the Washington conference.

The report said, the conference "abandoned the theoretical line from Bremen, Germany, to Basel, Switzerland, following the course of the Weser and Rhine rivers as impossible to hold against armoured divisions massed only a few miles eastward on the Elbe river.

The dispatch also said, the Conference devoted most of its time to examining the problem of "a possible retreat from Western Europe if the Russians succeeded in achieving an overwhelming breakthrough on the Rhine".

The Tribune story said bases in North Africa "would permit shuttle bombing of Western Russia, with planes flying over the Pole to Alaska."

PRESIDENTSHIP OF A. I. N. E. C.

A. D. Mani Withdraws From Contest

NAGPUR, April 18 (API).—Mr. A D. Mani, Editor, "Hitavada", has withdrawn from the contest for the presidentship of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference in favour of Mr. C. R. Srinivasan, Editor, "Swadesamitran", and has telegraphed to the Secretary of the A.I.N.E.C. accordingly.

Announcing his withdrawal, Mr. Mani in a statement says: "Since the inception of the Editors' Conference in 1940 the election of the President of the Conference has been uncontested, and it will be in the interests of the Conference if this tradition is continued and maintained. Mr. Srinivasan is a veteran Editor with more than 30 years of service in Indian language journalism and occupies a high position of honour and distinction in the newspaper world.

GUN BATTLE CASUALTIES

PULLMAN (Washington State), April 18. (PTI-Reuter): A business man, wanted for assault, killed three police officers and a taxi driver and was shot dead himself here yesterday in a wild Easter Sunday gun battle. Police Chief Arthur Rickets said George Mcintyre, 31-year old electric store owner, "went berserk" when officer Ross Claar attempted to arrest him because of a fight earlier in the day.

Officer Claar was killed in the first hail of bullets and three members of a Sheriff's posse were shot dead later. Gunfire wounded two other men. Still another had been wounded by a knife in the earlier fight with Mcintyre who had been convicted of resisting arrest on a previous occasion, when Mr. Claar had also been the arresting officer.

PATIL ON LINGUISTIC PROVINCES

ERNAKULAM, April 18, (A.P.I.): Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay and President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee told a press conference here that fissiparious tendencies which might weaken the administration of the country as a whole must be combatted. If the formation of linguistic provinces would only lead to feeling of acrimony and dissension among the people, Mr. Patil said, he was opposed to the linguistic division of India at this juncture.

Appealing to every section of the community to support and remain loyal to the Government, whether of a State or a province, Mr. Patil said, there would have to be a sort of administrative unity of purposes for the next ten years at least.

Earlier today, Mr. Patil addressed a meeting of Congress workers at the Cochin Premier's residence and also visited the naval establishments at Cochin.

Amendment To Muslim Personal Law

MADRAS, April 18, (A.P.I.): A non-official bill enabling Muslims of the province to be governed by their own succession laws in respect of property, including agricultural lands was passed into law by the Madras Assembly this evening.

The bill, which is an amendment to the Central Muslim Personal Law (Shariat) Application Act, was sponsored by Mr. K. M. Seethi Sahib, a Muslim League Member from Malabar, and is in complete codification of the traditional laws of Muslims in the matter of succession of property.

Mixed Grill

THE Municipal Commissioner of Bombay and the Secretary of the Municipal Schools Committee took a consent order the other day, placing certain restrictions on the use of the Gilder Tank Maidan for purposes of "entertainments". The order was the culmination of a series of complaints in the press followed by legal complaining against the nuisance caused by the noise of loudspeakers.

Although very limited in its scope — it could be no more under existing laws — the order should draw sharp attention to the conditions of life in this fantastic noise-filled city. Noise is inseparable from urban civilisation and one hears of factory workers so attuned to noise that they cannot sleep without it. They lie down and slumber peacefully while the machines roar, and as soon as they stop and there is silence, they wake up.

Not all city dwellers are conditioned to that extent. To the bulk of us noise is still a nuisance. The perpetual honk-honk of passing autos; the harsh grating of lumbering lorries; the creaking and clanking of tramcars; the clatter of trains rushing past shaking platforms; the eternal thud of boilers; the hoot, hiss, whistle, and bell calling breathless, hurrying, swarms of men and women to their proletarian duties; all the rush and rear, the clash and clamour of million horse power machinery, make the city a nightmare of noises. Add to this shrill shouting of hawkers crying a wide range and variety of wares and the excited clamour in the markets at the peak of trading hour. These alone are enough to make one seek one's pillow with a shooting headache. Nor do the noises abate at night. Rather are many of them augmented. The 'Bhajans'; 'pujas'; 'kalakshepamas' and 'tamashas' each zestfully carried on late into the night and each boasting of its special and curious assortment of musical instruments are enough to keep one agonised and awake. The festive cracker, the coughing old man, the crying baby, the leaky tap, each makes its own contribution to our sleeping peace.

That does not exhaust the list. Each one can think of further additions, further refinements of torture. But, surely, the palm must go to the radio which is fast heading to take the first place among the deliberately invented curses of mankind. Hell can produce nothing to match.

But that needs a chapter all to itself.

Grumbler

HOSTEL ATTACKED BY GOONDAS

CALCUTTA, April 18, (UPI): The Eden Garden Hostel was attacked by a group of about 50 up country men on the night of April 15. They hurled brickbats and used soda water bottles injuring about ten students.

It is stated that at about 8-30 p.m. on April 15 the students residing in the hostel challenged some up country men who were loitering in the garden in a suspicious manner. They arrested one Mir Shafi while others escaped. After about two hours, it is stated, a group of up country men numbering about 50 assembled before the gate of the hostel and made attempts to rescue the arrested person. They hurled brickbats at the hostel and threw soda water in bottles injuring ten students.

The police rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control.

INDIA ON 11-MEMBER SUB-COMMITTEE

NEW DELHI, April 18, (A.P.I.): India has been elected to the Eleven Member Sub-Committee which was formed to scrutinise the representative character of organisations or parties in the former Italian colonies requesting a hearing.

Sir B. N. Rau and Mr. V. Koretzky (U.S.S.R.) were elected vice-chairmen of the International Law Commission. The Chairman of the Commission is Mr. Manely Hudson (America).

Where U. N. Can Pray For Divine Guidance

LAKE SUCCESS, April 18, (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Trgyve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, has ordered the installation of a simple, non-denominational prayer-room in the new United Nations' Headquarters on New York's east side.

Mr. Lie is understood to have issued the instructions in response to persistent demands from all parts of the world for a retreat in the skyscraper headquarters where members of all religions could pray for divine guidance for the United Nation's delegates.

Universities Commission

CALCUTTA April 18, (A.P.I.): The Universities Commission appointed by the Government of India with Dr. S. Radhakrishnan as Chairman, is expected to submit its report by the first week of September next.

Dr. Radhakrishnan, who is on a short visit to Calcutta, stated today that the Commission had practically completed its touring work and would now settle down to prepare their report. They were due at Allahabad on 22nd April, Bombay on the 23rd, and Delhi on the 24th and would then proceed to Simla to write their report.

Dr. Radhakrishnan leaves for Madras tomorrow.

NAIDOO AMAZED AT GOVT. REPORT

NEW YORK, April 17 (PTI-Reuter)—Mr. M. D. Naidoo, member of the Executive of the South African Indian Congress, said tonight that he was "amazed" at the report of the South African Government Commission on the recent Durban riot.

He told Reuter, "The findings are not put down clearly and plainly. Arguments before the Commission are analysed, and a good deal of these arguments are repeated. Every alleged cause of the riot is thrown out."

"The public are warned against a repetition of the riots, but nowhere do we find in the report any indication of what were the riots causes. There is some suggestion that they might be found in the housing situation, but further on we are told the rioters were people perfectly with the amenities available. What then were the causes of the riots?

Setalwad To Study S. Africa Report

NEW YORK, April 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Mr. M. C. Setalvad, Leader of the Indian Delegation to the United Nations' General Assembly, said today that he was not prepared at the moment to comment on the South African Government Commission's report of the Durban rioting.

"I shall have to study it first and hope to make my statement at Lake Success later today," he said.

FOUR KILLED IN BOMB EXPLOSION

CANTON, April 18. (PTI-Reuter): A bomb explosion in a cinema here last night killed 4 people and injured 7.

The incident, second of its kind within a week, followed receipt by the cinema of an extortion letter demanding 500 Hongkong dollars.

A. I. HIND KISAN PANCHAYAT.

NAGPUR, April 18 (U.P.I.): The All-India Hind Kisan Panchayat has decided to hold its annual session somewhere in C.P. and Berar in the 3rd week of May next, under the presidency of Dr. Rammonohar Lohia. Mr. Jai Prakash Narain will inaugurate.

About 700 delegates from all over the country are expected to attend the conference.

RECEPTION TO MONTESSORI

Madame Montessori, her son and daughter-in-law at a reception given to her at the Siddharth College on the eve of her departure for Italy.

COMMUNISTS CAPTURE TWO MID-STREAM ISLANDS

Kuomintang Conference At Nanking Today To Consider Ultimatum

NANKING, April 18. (PTI-Reuter): Powerful Communist armies to-day renewed their attacks on Government bridgeheads north of the Yangtse river and captured two mid-stream islands 50 miles east of Nanking.

The mounting offensive underlined Nankin's fear that Communist armies massed in Central China would force a crossing of the Yangtse and march south unless their ultimatum for a peaceful crossing—which has less than 30 hours to run—is accepted immediately.

24 POINT "PEACE PROGRAMME".

Acting President Li Tsung Jen urgently conferred with Government chiefs to-day reportedly to draw up a compromise to offer to the Communists, who are demanding acceptance of the 24 point "peace programme" drafted at the Peiping "cease-fire" talks

Officials in Nanking waited hopefully for news from Peiping of Communist "clemency" in extending the deadline.

OFFICIAL DENIAL.

Nanking Government officials denied that Acting President Li had sent a personal appeal to Communist leader Mao Tse Tung to extend the deadline

Huang Shao Hsiung, Government envoy who returned from Peiping with the "peace programme" last week, attended to-day an important Government conference on the Communist demands.

Huang is said to be suffering from high blood pressure. Former Foreign Minister Wu Te Chen, back from a visit to Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek—now in semi-retirement in Chekiang Province—was also there.

The Kuomintang's (Government Party) two highest policy making bodies—the Central Political Council and Central Executive Committee—meet to-morrow to consider the ultimatum.

TOO HURRIED.

Most Kuomintang members were said to regard the Communist deadline as "too hurried" and some observers think it possible that the Government will allow the ultimatum to run out without replying.

Reports to-day from Chinkiang, forty miles east of Nanking, said Government bombers were attacking 40,000 Communists fighting to capture a Government bridgehead directly opposite on the north bank.

REDS CAPTURE TWO ISLANDS

Under cover of heavy artillery fire, the Communists last night captured two islands in the middle of the river another ten miles to the east.

Still further east, a Communist attempt to cross the river in 400 junks was said to have been repulsed by Government gunfire from the south bank. Fighting flared up last night round another Government strong-point opposite Wuhu, about 60 miles south-west of Nanking.

STATE-OWNED ALUMINIUM FACTORY FOR C.P.

NAGPUR, April 18 (A.P.I.): The Government of Central Provinces and Berar has decided to start a State-owned aluminium factory at Korba in Bilaspur and has deputed Mr. P. S. Sharangpani, its chief engineer, to study the working of aluminium plants in Scotland and Switzerland.

Mr. Sharangpani who is at present in Scotland will return to India in the first week of May.

R. S. S. PRISONERS IN E. PUNJAB JAILS

Mahasabha Secretary's Plea

NEW DELHI, April 18. (A.P.I.): Mr. Ashtosh Lahiry, General Secretary of the Hindu Mahasabha, in a statement to-day that the R.S.S. prisoners in various jails of East Punjab, "who are mostly young men", should be recognised as political prisoners, "to allow them a tolerably decent living in jails".

He added that the condition put on R.S.S. prisoners who are released that they should not take part in any political activity is improper because such a condition deprives them of their "liberty to take part in politics".

Mr. Lahiri also asked the Government of India to make known the result of investigations against Dr. N. B. Khare, former Premier of Alwar, which they promised to do when they withdrew all charges against the Maharaja of Alwar last year

R.S.S. Prisoners In E. Punjab Jails On Hunger Strike

JULLUNDUR, April 18 (A.P.I.): Eleven R.S.S. prisoners, above the age of 40, in Ferozpur camp jail, have begun a hungerstrike as from yesterday, it is learnt here.

About 800 prisoners in East Punjab jails have been stated to be on hungerstrike demanding "better class treatment"

In Yol jail 137 R.S.S. prisoners have entered the fifth week of their hungerstrike.

The East Punjab Government have been ordering the release of some of the hungerstrikers on medical grounds and 26 of them were released from Gurdaspur jail yesterday.

Life Pension For Revolutionary's Mother

GWALIOR, April 18, (U.P.I.): Mr. Liladhar Joshi, Premier of Madhya Bharat Union, has granted a life pension of Rs 25 per month to the 70-year old mother of the late Chandrashekhar Azad, famous Indian revolutionary who died fighting with the police at Allahabad in 1930, as a mark of appreciation for the services rendered by her son to the cause of Indian freedom.

It may be recalled that Pandit Nehru also recently sent Rs. 250 to Mr. Azad's mother.

ALIGARH UNIVERSITY NEW CHANCELLOR

Nawab Of Rampur Elected

ALIGARH, April 18 (API).—The Nawab of Rampur was elected Chancellor of the Aligarh University at the annual meeting of the University Court held here yesterday.

The University's budget for the year 1949-50 presented at the meeting disclosed a deficit of Rs. five and a half lakhs and it was decided to approach the Government of India and Provincial Governments for financial aid

MAHASABHA TO BE REVITALISED

NEW DELHI, April 18. (A.P.I.): "Definite measures for revitalising the Mahasabha organisation" will be discussed at a meeting of the Working Committee of the All-India Hindu-Mahasabha to be held in New Delhi on May seven and eight, says an announcement on behalf of the Mahasabha.

The meeting will also consider the report of the Common Platform Committee and final adoption of the programme of work which was held over at the last All-India Committee meeting.

MUTT AND JEFF—Kissing By Telephone Would Be Much Easier

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